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TO MY MOTHER.

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Mother, dear mother, I'm thinking of thee,
I'm thinking of days that are gone,
When clasped to your heart as I sat on your knee,
You would sing that sweet lullaby song;
That voice with its music still rings on my ears,
Tho' long since I heard its sweet tone,
And memory flies back o'er the lapse of long years
Oft while I've sat thinking alone.

I'm thinking, dear mother, as from thee I roam,
Of days when in innocent mirth,
When all seemed a heaven in our once happy home,
As we'd crowd 'round the old family hearth;
But changes, sad changes have over us swept,
And gone are some dear to the heart,
While oft I've sat thinking I've bitterly wept
To think how fate dooms us to part.

Yet one thought, dear mother, gives ease to thy pain,
Such joy 'tis a pleasure to know,
To think there's a heaven where we can meet again,
If ne'er we shall meet here below;
Then mother, dear mother, as oft as you pray
To the giver of all earthly joy,
Remember there's one that is far, far away,
And that one is your wandering boy.

THROUGH FIRE.

During a residence of several years in New York, I was in the habit of passing some months every summer at one or other of the various watering-places in the vicinity of that city.

In 1848 I spent a few weeks at Babylon, a village on the south side of Long Island, in order to enjoy the blue fishing for which that part of the coast is famous.

In most small country places in the United States there will be found some lazy ne'er-do-weel, some "shiftless loafer," to use an American idiom, who neither obtains, nor seeks for, regular employment, but is content to pick up a precarious subsistence by fishing and shooting, after the manner of our old friend Rip Van Winkle, leaving his wife and family, if he have any, to get a living as they best may.

The individual in Babylon who enjoyed a monopoly of the advantages to be derived from being the only loafer in the village, was a half breed, known as "Indian John." He was a bachelor, and so expert with both rod and gun that, having no one to provide for but himself, he might have done very well but for his incorrigible laziness and his love of "fire water." So long as he had a dime in his pocket, or, failing that, could get credit at the village store for a pint of rum or whiskey, no money would tempt him to exertion of any kind. Yet, when absolutely driven to it by necessity, he would work, and work hard, too, for a brief period, enduring without a murmur far more toil and fatigue than a white man would have borne under the same circumstances. But, like all his race, he was, as I have said, incapable of habitual labor. "John," he would say, as soon as he had a piece of silver in his possession, earned or given him, "John no work to-day; John got dollar; John gentl'man."

On two or three occasions, when I had been unable to secure the services of one of the regular boatmen, I had engaged John to accompany me on my fishing expeditions. But it was rather reluctantly that I did so, for I felt a species of antipathy to the man, which found some justification in the singularly repulsive expression of his countenance. When one looked at him, indeed, one was reminded of what Quin said of Macklin:—"That if Nature wrote a legible hand, he must be a scoundrel."

He was a surly, sullen fellow too, rarely speaking except in monosyllables, or evincing the slightest interest in what was going on around him. I was, therefore, the more surprised at a little incident which occurred on one occasion when I found myself alone in the boat with him.

We had been fishing for some time with indifferent success, when, thinking that we might do better by putting farther out to sea, I took out my watch, for the purpose of ascertaining how long it would be before the tide turned. As I did so, I observed the eyes of the half-breed fixed admiringly upon it. It was indeed a very pretty trinket, the face being engraved with much taste, while on the back there was a butterfly in blue enamel incrusted with small diamonds. It was, in fact, a lady's watch, and belonged to my sister, who had lent it to me the day I left New York, to replace my own, of which I had broken the spring that same morning—a misadventure there had not been time to repair before my departure.

Even the proverbial stoicism of his race, apparently, had not power to steel the half breed against the fascinations of the object of his admiration. After a brief struggle to maintain his dignity, he gave way, and asked to be allowed to look at the watch. I, of course, complied with his request, and placed it in his hand that he might examine it at his leisure. He kept it for some minutes, and it was, finally, with manifest reluctance that he returned it. I observed him closely, and could see, by the expression of his eyes, that he had become possessed by one of those almost uncontrollable desires to which savages, like children, are occasionally subject—it being, obviously, a positive pain to him to part with the watch. However, he had no alternative but to do so; and there the matter ended for the time.

On the morning I had arranged to return to New York, the heat was almost intolerable, and had not important business required my presence in the city the following day, I should most certainly have deferred my journey until the weather was somewhat more endurable. However, I decided to compromise the matter; and instead of taking the 11 A. M. train for Brooklyn, as I had originally intended, I resolved to return to town by the one which left Centreville (the nearest station) at 8 P. M., by which hour the sea breeze would have somewhat cooled the atmosphere.

The railway runs as nearly as possible through the centre of Long Island from Brooklyn to Montauk Point. Thus travelers from any of the villages on the Atlantic are, or rather were—for the facilities of communication have been greatly improved since the time of which I speak—conveyed to the station by means of omnibuses owned by the proprietors of the various hotels.

I happened to be the only passenger from the hotel that evening for the train. It was not thought worth while, therefore, to make use of the omnibus; but Snedicor, the landlord, promised that a light wagon, *Anglice* chaise, should be in readiness to convey me to the *depot*.

At the last moment, however, an unexpected difficulty presented itself. Who was to drive me to Fire Island, the inhabitants of the village had gone over to Fire Island, it being a gala day in those parts, and amongst them the men belonging to the hotel.

"You couldn't drive yourself, Mr. Wilson, I suppose?" said Snedicor to me inferrogatively. "You could leave the wagon," he added, "at Van Riper's; his store is just alongside the *depot*, and one of the boys would bring it back in the morning."

"Well," I replied, "I am afraid not. I have only traveled the road once, and there are so many turnings that I think it not unlikely I might lose myself in these interminable pine forests of yours."

"Well, now," rejoined the old man, "I don't know but what I'll have to go myself; but it's mighty awkward too, I tell you, for I've a big supper to fix to-night for the crowd that's coming."

We were standing on the piazza of the hotel, and while Snedicor was speaking, the half breed, rifle in hand, but with an empty game bag, came down the road with the slow slouching gait peculiar to him.

As soon as the landlord saw the man, his face brightened up.

"Oh, here's John," he said; "I thought he had gone over to the island. He doesn't seem to have had much luck, neither; I'll be glad to drive you over to Centreville, I guess, Mr. Wilson—John," he called out, "I want you to take this gentleman to the *depot*, right away. Can you go?"

"Me go!" said the half breed. "How much give?"

"A silver quarter!" was the reply.

"And glass rum?" added John.

"Rum now?" said the other interrogatively.

"No! When you return," replied Snedicor, adding to me, *sotto voce*; "if I gave it to him now, very probably he would not stir an inch afterwards, but lie right down on the ground and go to sleep."

The half breed nodded sullenly, to intimate that he accepted the proffered conditions; and as soon as my luggage had been deposited in the wagon we drove off, John placing his rifle beside him on the front seat.

That John had been drinking already was tolerably obvious, not that his speech was thick or his carriage unsteady—intoxication rarely manifests this form in the Indian—but there was a ludicrous assumption of dignity about the fellow, characteristic of his race when drunk, which at once revealed to me his condition.

I pause here to observe that the motives which induce the white man and the Indian to drink are totally opposite in character. The former drinks from good fellowship, or because he likes the liquor: with him, as a rule, intoxication is the accidental result of over indulgence. The Indian, on the contrary, drinks simply to get drunk; it is but a means to an end. Hence the story of the Comanche brave, who, after imbibing as many pinases of well watered whiskey as his stomach would hold, went to the seller, and in an agrieved tone said:—"Me full up, and drunk no come yet."

The road, after running along the shore for about three-quarters of a mile, branched off nearly at a right angle into the woods; at the expiration of half an hour we came to a spot where it divided into two forks. The half breed, somewhat to my surprise, for I had an impression that Centreville lay in the opposite direction, took the road to the right. Still I said nothing, knowing that he must necessarily be better acquainted with the way than I was.

Before long, however, I became convinced that we were going wrong. The road, or rather lane, we had entered upon seemed but little traveled, the grass growing in many places in the wheel ruts, which was scarcely credible to suppose could be the case with a road traversed so frequently as the one between Babylon and Centreville. The forest, too, seemed to become denser and denser. Even at mid-day the sunlight penetrates but feebly through the masses of foliage which crown the heads of the tall pine trees in these woods; and now, as the evening began to draw in, the darkness was very perceptible.

I was half disposed to believe that John was really more intoxicated than he appeared to be, and that, notwithstanding the proverbial sagacity of his race in such matters, he had taken the wrong road unconsciously. I therefore decided to speak to him without further delay. I said that it was evident we were going in the wrong direction, and I desired him to turn back at once. The fellow evinced not the slightest disposition to comply with my request, but continued to drive doggedly on, only replying in a sulky tone:—"John on the right path. Know him well; stranger don't."

The situation was becoming awkward. That any individual having Indian blood in his veins could, under any circumstances, lose his way, was not easy of belief to one who had read Cooper's "Leather-stocking" tales, and who at that time was a devout believer in the fidelity of his descriptions of the red man. Yet, that the half-breed *had* taken the wrong road I was pretty well certain. Was it not more likely, then, that he had done so intentionally; and if so, with what motive? In an instant there flashes across my memory the incident in the boat, already referred to. I remembered, too, that when I looked at my watch that evening, as I was getting into the wagon, there had come suddenly into the half-breed's eyes the same fierce, covetous light I had noticed on the previous occasion. Were his intentions evil, what opportunity could be more favorable for their execution than the one which now presented itself—here, in the heart of the forest, miles from any human habitation; the weapon, too, ready to his hand! Ah! there was the question—and my heart beat quicker as it suggested itself. Was the rifle charged or not? If not, I would take very good care to prevent his loading it.

But if it were? Well, even then, being on my guard, my chances were not altogether desperate. It is true, I was unarmed; my gun—the barrel unscrewed from the stock—being in a mahogany box under the front seat. But I was, I flattered myself, a far stronger man than the half-breed, and, bar fire-arms, I had but little apprehension as to the result of a struggle between us, if I once closed with him. His position, too, on the front seat, with his back towards me, gave me this advantage, that, to attack me, he must turn himself completely round, and his doing so would, I believed, afford me time to place myself on the defensive. I resolved, therefore, the very instant I saw his hand directed towards the rifle, or that he was guilty of any overt act whatever, to grapple with him, and, if possible, make myself master of the weapon.

In moments of peril or extremity men *think* with extraordinary rapidity, and these reflections, and many others, passed through my mind in a few seconds.

The half-breed still kept driving rapidly through the woods, and, as night was drawing on, I resolved to wait no longer, but to precipitate the issue at once. I therefore peremptorily ordered him to stop, determined to have recourse to force, if necessary, to compel his compliance.

The fellow paid not the slightest attention to me, but applied the lash furiously to the horse's back; we dashed along the road for a couple of hundred yards more, and came suddenly to a large open space, at which the lane apparently ended. The spot was evidently used for charcoal burning, for several acres of timber had been cut down, and scattered here and there were piles of wood, arranged in the usual circular form, ready for firing. The road, in fact, was a private one, and only used, at certain periods of the year, by the owners of this portion of the forest to convey the charcoal and firewood to market.

As we drove into the clearing, the half-breed reined in the horse sharply, and, before I could guess his intentions, leaped, with extraordinary agility, rifle in hand, out of the wagon.

As I was preparing to follow him, he raised his gun and fired at my head. He was just a second too late; had I still been sitting erect, at the back of the wagon, the ball must, inevitably, have passed through my brain, but I had leaned slightly forward, in the act of jumping out, and this saved me. As it was, he aimed just a hair's breadth too high, and the bullet only grazed my scalp, tearing up the skin and inflicting a wound, which bled profusely, but was otherwise rather painful than dangerous.

Believing myself, for the moment, to be more seriously hurt than I really was, and rendered additionally savage by this very circumstance, I precipitated myself upon the half-breed without a moment's pause: he made a blow at me with the clubbed rifle, but I evaded it and closed with him. He proved to be much stronger than I had anticipated, judging from his height and build, but still no match for me, for, at that period, I was a man of more than average strength, and the Indian rarely possesses the muscle of the white man. In fact, conscious of his inferiority in this respect, he invariably avoids, if possible, engaging in a hand-to-hand encounter with him.

The struggle for the possession of the rifle lasted less than a minute, and having, by one supreme effort, wrested it from my antagonist, uttering a short, sharp exclamation of rage at finding himself baffled, he turned and fled into the forest.

For a moment I was sorely tempted to follow him, for my blood was thoroughly up; but the increasing darkness warned me that this was impracticable. Indeed, familiar as the half-breed doubtless was with every intricacy of the forest, to have pursued him would, under any circumstances, most probably have been futile.

I now looked round me to see what had become of the wagon, for the horse, left to his own guidance, had trotted off as soon as I had quitted the vehicle. I found that he had stopped, of his own accord, about a couple of hundred yards off, and was quietly cropping the grass by the wayside.

I got into the wagon, resolved to return to Babylon at once, and give information of what had occurred, in order that early the following morning the woods might be scoured (and I knew they would be, universally) for the half-breed. Indeed, even had I not felt it my duty on public as well as private grounds to do this, to have continued my journey that night would have been impossible, for, long before I could reach Centreville, the last train would have left for Brooklyn.

The atmosphere was oppressively close; not a breath of air was stirring; and heavy masses of black cloud were slowly rising in the west. Either of these facts would have occupied to notice these indications of an impending storm; but, now that I observed them, I felt that the warnings they conveyed were not to be disregarded. I hoped, nevertheless, to be able to get back to the village, or, at all events, so far as the open road, along the sea shore, before the storm burst; for I knew that I should be subjected to considerable inconvenience, if not positive danger, if overtaken by the tempest in the forest, therefore, notwithstanding the darkness, I tore along the road at a rapid pace. The horse, indeed, seemed to sympathise with my uneasiness, and scarcely needed urging to put forth his utmost speed.

I had barely ridden a mile, however, when the low mutterings of the approaching storm became distinctly audible. The wind began to sigh mournfully through the trees, until, at the expiration of a few minutes, it subsided into a calm—a frequency does these latitudes—to a perfect hurricane; the tall pines bent before the blast like grain in harvest time; branches and even limbs, torn from their parent trunks, strewed the road; while, every now and again, was heard the crash of some falling tree, which, weakened with age, was unable longer to withstand the fury of the gale.

Flash after flash of the most vivid lightning I have almost ever beheld succeeded each other in rapid succession, the heavy peals of thunder reverberating over my head; the rain, too, at intervals, came down in heavy showers. It was, in fact, as the Fool says in King Lear, "a naughty night to swim in."

At last a terrific flash of lightning, followed by the sharp report the electric fluid always makes when it strikes, warned me that a new danger was impending; that a tree had been struck, and that, in all probability, the woods would shortly be on fire. Nor was I mistaken. In less time than I could have believed it possible for the flames to become visible, a lurid glare to the right, apparently about a mile distant, proved that the forest in that direction had become a prey to the devouring element.

No rain had fallen for the previous six weeks, and, notwithstanding it was now coming down rather heavily, the fire spread amongst the dry, resinous pine trees with fearful rapidity, threatening to completely cut off my retreat. Could I, indeed, but once get to the fork of the roads, I knew I should be comparatively safe, for, as soon as I entered the lane leading to Babylon, the wind would face me and drive the flames in the opposite direction. The doubt was whether I *should* be able to get so far without being intercepted by the fire. Still, it was my only chance, and I drove furiously on, half blinded by the dense volumes of smoke which rolled across my path, while myriads of sparks shot up, every now and again, from the burning forest.

At last I reached the fork of the roads, but not a minute too soon; for the flames, with an eager, hungry roar, were rushing furiously forward, at a right angle with the road, at a distance of less than two hundred yards.

I turned a corner and dashed into the Babylon road. The danger was past; and it was with a comparatively light heart I drove the remainder of the distance.

The fire proved one of the most destructive ever known in those woods; and, notwithstanding the fact that the rain came down heavily for many hours, swept several hundred acres completely clear of timber, leaving nothing but the charred and blackened stumps of the trees remaining.

The search for the half-breed was unsuccessful, and it was thought that he had quitted that part of the island. But, some days after the fire had subsided, a party of villagers, whom curiosity had led to visit the scene of the late conflagration, came across a small heap of charred bones, among which were several metal buttons and the remains of a powder flask, which were at once recognised as having belonged to "Indian John." There could, therefore, be but little doubt that, being on foot, the half-breed had been unable to outstrip the flames, and had perished miserably in the burning forest.

A DIFFERENCE—The building committee of a church called upon a wealthy member of the congregation, soliciting a subscription towards a new house of worship. The sum he subscribed disappointed them, and they told him so, at the same time intimating that Mr. J—— had given double the amount. "So he should," said the wily gentleman; "he goes to church twice as much as I do."

THE way to make a rice pudding—The milky-way.

THE LATE HENRI DRAYTON, Basso of English Opera.

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SUNRISE OFF "THE COAST."

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The rust'ling billows leap to greet the sun,
And kiss the rocks, in splendor wild, the eastern sky,
As one by one from bright Aurora's smile,
On noiseless wing the lazy sea fowl fly.
The grey mists slowly seek the surf-beat shore,
And fade amidst the breeze's ceaseless roar,
Whilst gentle zephyrs, wafting sails becalm'd,
Move them like spectres from the distant land,
Then, proudly rising from the whisp'ring sea,
He on his throne in purple in liquid gold
A scene no genius e'er can paint to thee,
And one no poet yet has truly told.

HALLUCINATIONS.

It must be admitted that the interest attached to the subject of hallucinations is not of a particularly pleasing or cheerful kind. The mental associations which cohere to it necessarily impart to it something of their own sombre complexion. In the first place, to a person holding exalted notions of the inherent dignity of his species, the humiliating relations of the subject are not by any means assuring. In all ages hallucination has been closely allied to superstition, sometimes in the way of cause, and sometimes of effect. As illustrative of this, we need only point to the presence of this element in the moral epidemics which have prevailed in Europe. Mr. Lecky has shown that it was hallucination which prompted the early anchorites to endure the horrors of their desert life; it was this that gave rise to the hideous forms of epidemic degradation called lycanthropy, vampyrism, and the dancing manias of the middle ages; and it forms a chief feature in that outbreak of so-called witchcraft, which for nearly two centuries preased like a nightmare on the peoples of Europe, and followed the Pilgrim fathers to America. The subject is also invested with a wierd, unearthly interest, from the resemblance of many hallucinations to the popular ideal of the class of disembodied spirits, which, for reasons of their own, are supposed to "re-visit the glimpses of the moon."

But, apart from these melancholy associations, the subject is one of considerable intrinsic interest, and not devoid of some bearing on questions of practical, everyday life. Hallucinations occur only in certain abnormal, though not necessarily morbid states of the body. They may be described as false sensations in which the impression, while appearing to be made by an external object, is really due to some internal cause. An hallucination, then, is simply a counterfeit sensation; an impostor, whose "get-up" is so admirable as to enable it successfully to personate an impression by a real object. Hallucination may occur within the province of any of the senses. Those of smell are occasionally met with in connection with insanity. Burton, in his Anatomy of Melancholy," mentions the case of a French poet who was ordered by his physician to anoint his temples with a certain unguent, to act as a soporific; "but he so detested the smell of it, that for many years after all that came near him he imagined to scent of it, and would let no man walk with him, nor wear any new clothes, because he thought they smelled of it; in all other things wise and discreet, and would talk sensibly."

Hallucinations of touch rarely occur unless in connection with those of the other senses. Those pertaining to the auditory nerve are, however, not unfrequent. Mr. Lewis mentions that Charles Dickens once declared to him that every word said by his characters were distinctly *heard* by him. An eminent living English physiologist says of himself:—"When reading books written by persons with whom I am acquainted, I am sometimes tormented by hearing the words pronounced in the exact way in which these persons would utter them, any trick or peculiarity of voice or gesture being also very accurately reproduced." Dr. Johnson was greatly impressed by hearing, on one occasion, his mother distinctly calling his name, "Samuel," though at the time she was many miles distant. Dr. Ortigue, the French musician, states that the songs of birds in the country have so vividly re-awakened in him the impression of Beethoven's "Pastoral," that he heard that symphony executed with a precision and justness of intonation perfectly marvellous.

But the most striking examples of hallucinations are those connected with visual impressions. Here it is almost impossible, for the moment, to resist the conviction that an impression on the retina similar to that which would be made by an object has actually been made by such an object. The aphorism, "Seeing is believing," expresses the popular idea of this irresistible force of visual sensation. To discredit the evidence of their own eyes would appear to most people a mental feat equally impossible and irrational. Yet the ability to exercise the kind of incredulity of which this is a popular description, far from being necessarily irrational, is sometimes the very evidence and crucial test of reason. Accounts of remarkable cases of ocular hallucination are so common, especially in medical literature, that it is difficult to select. A lady, Miss N——, was one evening left sole inmate of her house, the rest of the family, including her infirm mother, being out. A dreadful thunder-storm which came on made her thoughts wander anxiously to her father. Happening to visit the room he usually occupied, she was surprised to see him seated in his arm-chair. Thinking he had come in without her having heard him, she went forward to inquire how he got in. Repeating the word, "Father," she tried to put her hand on his shoulder, when it went down, from having met no resistance. She retired in great alarm. After a time she mustered courage to return to the room, in order to ascertain whether she had been deceived by some peculiar arrangement of the drapery or furniture. The figure was seated as before, and she now concluded that it was an hallucination. She looked at it from various points of view, rubbed her eyes, but without affecting the appearance. It was still there when she entered the room the third or fourth time. It should be added that the lady was convalescent from a recent illness.

Not unfrequently, in hallucinations, several of the senses are concurrently affected. A student was about to retire to bed after a hard night's work, when the accidental turning up of a letter from an old companion, long dead, brought up recollections of the deceased. He had just extinguished his candle, when he heard himself addressed by the well remembered voice of his former friend, and at the same time felt his arm grasped. Sus pecting the nature of the visitation, he re-lighted his candle and saw standing before him the form of his old friend. It beckoned to the door, and glided out, and became giddy and fell down. Though three senses were implicated in this instance, the student never had any doubt that he was the subject of hallucination.

A case remarkably similar in its details is also on record. A gentleman who had been engaged in reading during the evening was about to retire to his bed-room, when he chanced to see a letter on the table. It proved to be an intimation to attend the funeral of the mother of an old deceased acquaintance. This led his thoughts to the painful history of the family and of his friend. Engaged in these reflections, he undressed himself and extinguished his candle, when he suddenly felt his arm grasped a little below the shoulder and forcibly pressed on his side. He struggled to free himself, calling aloud:—"Let go my arm!" when he distinctly heard the words:—"Don't be afraid," uttered in a low tone. He immediately said:—"Allow me to light the candle;" when his arm was released. On lighting the candle and turning towards the door, he saw before him the figure of his deceased friend. On stepping towards it, it receded, face towards him. It passed thus slowly down stairs, but stopped when the lobby was reached. He passed close to the figure and opened the street door, when he became giddy, sank into a chair, and let fall the candle. He never for a moment considered the image a real object. In these three cases the reader will have perceived the presence of one common mental element; that of strong emotional feeling.

In the following example profound concentration of the attention on a favorite object seems to have been the antecedent determining condition. A French civil engineer, was one day deeply occupied with a canal scheme, and had just traced on a map before him the route which he proposed for it. All at once he saw before him a pamphlet in yellow, with the title, "Project of the Opening of a Canal in the Plains of Sologne." For several minutes he read in it, the ideas being of course confirmatory of his own, when the phantasmal brochure disappeared. Soon the hallucination becomes persistent and chronic the effect may be disastrous, even though it is unable to coerce the mind into a belief of its objective reality. This is illustrated in the well known case related by Sir Walter Scott, in which an eminent lawyer died from mental depression from being continually haunted by a skeleton, though he was quite aware of the purely subjective character of his tormentor.

In such cases as these where does the deception lie? Is it the senses that are deluded in hallucination? This is, no doubt, the popular idea, and it is a convenient way of stating the matter, but it is not strictly accurate. It is really putting the blame at the wrong door. If the organs of sense are in a healthy condition, they are incapable of deluding us. No mirror reflects the image of an object placed before it with more perfect accuracy than do our senses the impressions made upon them; but they receive with impartial fidelity the impression from objects without and those which originate within. In hallucination, the affection of the organs is exactly the same as if it were caused by the actual object. The error arises from the mind being unconscious of the mode in which the impressions are produced. It cannot discriminate between the true and the sham perception. The delusion, then, is clearly, not in the sensible, but in the mind itself. But a sane mind always retains the power, by a subsequent process of reasoning, to correct the first erroneous judgment. The rectification, however, is not always immediate; sometimes it is not effected till the person has been led into some rather awkward predicament. A man subject to ocular hallucinations was walking along one of the streets of Edinburgh, when he was very much astonished to see the familiar street divided into two halves, one of which presented a steep ascent and the other a steep descent. Though utterly bewildered, he concluded that the uphill road was the one he ought to choose; accordingly, he began to toil along the level street as if he were going up a hill, to the amusement of the passengers, who appeared to him equally to be toiling up and down an ascent.

In chronic cases the sufferer is often puzzled to determine on the instant whether a doubtful appearance represents a real object or not. An eminent physician in Edinburgh, lately deceased, was assured by a lady that, if she were summoned as a witness in a court of justice, she could not swear whether what she saw was real or illusory. In such circumstances the victim is driven to invent some ready test by which to discriminate the real from the apparently real. In the case last mentioned the lady would never venture to place a glass or plate on a table without previously feeling where was a chair there, or to sit down on a chair without satisfying herself that it was not a spectral one. But to verify the information derived from one sense by an appeal to another, is not always convenient or possible. When the tactile test is not available, others have therefore to be tried, though none of them can be said to be always reliable. One gentleman was in the habit of turning his back on any appearance of which he had a suspicion: if it was a reality, he lost sight of it; if merely apparitional, he saw it as before. A test suggested by Sir David Brewster is to press one eyeball down with the finger, and thus change the axis of vision. If the image is real, it will, of course, be doubled; if merely mental, it will remain single. A lady was accustomed, in cases of doubt, to look into a mirror. If the figure had its back to the mirror and its face to her, she concluded it was real; if it had its face to the mirror and also to her, that it was phantasmal.

Perhaps the most extraordinary fact in regard to the subject of ocular spectra remains to be stated. It appears that some individuals possess the faculty of evoking them at will. On such persons Hoffman's famous sarcasm, substituting "spectre" for "spirit," would fall pointless, for they do come when called on. Abercrombie mentions the case of a gentleman with whom he was acquainted, who could at any time place before him a phantom by fixing his mind intently on the person whose image he wished to produce. Having once evoked the figure, he had no power to make it disappear, nor could he say how long it would remain. At last the phantoms appeared unbidden, and he was never at first certain whether any person he met was real or spectral; but, after a little attention, he was generally able to distinguish the substantial from the shadowy by the former being usually better defined than the mental image. He hardly, however, trusted wholly to his eyes, but tested his visual impression by touch, or by hearing the sound of the footsteps. Though subject to hallucinations all his life, this man was quite healthy in body and sound in mind. Dr. Wigan states that he was acquainted with a very amiable and intelligent man who possessed the power of putting before him *his own image*. He often laughed heartily at the sight of his *eidolon*, which to him appeared always to laugh. For a long time this was a source of amusement and pleasantry to him. But the result was deplorable. Hallucination gradually passed into delusion; little by little he persuaded himself that he was haunted by his double; his other self held obstinate discussions with him, and, to his mortification, sometimes vanquished him in argument, at which he prided himself on being an adept. Wearied out at last, he resolved not to begin a new year; placed in separate papers his daily expenses for a week, paid his debts, awaited, pistol in hand, the night of Dec. 31st, and the moment the clock struck midnight, blew out his brains. That this extraordinary faculty is one that cannot long be exercised with impunity is also illustrated by the case of the gifted but eccentric poet-painter and engraver, William Blake. His mode of portrait-painting was certainly peculiar. His own account of it to Wigan was as follows:—"When a model was presented I looked at it attentively for half an hour, sketching occasionally on the canvas. I had no need of a longer sitting. I put aside the drawing and passed to another person. When I wished to continue the first portrait I took the subject of it into my mind; I put him in the chair, *where I perceived him as distinctly as if he had been there in reality*—I may even add, with form and color more defined than in the original. I contemplated from time to time the imaginary figure. I suspended my work to examine the *pose; every time I cast my eye on the chair I saw the man.*" In one year he stated that he had painted three hundred portraits, great and small. But the Nemesis of an overstretched imagination inevitably overtook him; by degrees he lost the power to distinguish between the real and the imaginary sitters; his mind became confused and unhinged, and he spent thirty years in an asylum.

Hyacinthe Langlois, an intimate friend of Talma, relates that that celebrated actor informed him that when he came on the stage he was able by force of will to make his large and brilliant auditory disappear and to substitute skeletons in their place. When his imagination had thus filled the theatre with these singular spectators their reactive power on himself was such as often to give his personations a most powerful effect. Sir Thomas Browne, Jerome Cardan and Goethe also possessed, in various degrees, this remarkable faculty. It implies the possession of great power of rapid observation, of a memory tenacious even of minute details, of the ability to withdraw the attention completely from the immediate surroundings and to concentrate it on the mental idea, and of great force of imagination. That the exercise of such a complex faculty must involve a severe psychical strain is evident from the frequency with which it throws the delicate mental machinery out of gear.

It is curious to note the number of men eminent in literature or prominent in history who have been the subjects of temporary or persistent hallucinations, or of whom, at all events, such an allegation has been made. To mention only a few—Socrates had warnings from his demon, Brutus saw his evil genius before Philippi, Cromwell is said to have been visited by a woman of gigantic stature, who assured him he would yet be king! Napoleon believed in his star, at which General Rapp found him on one occasion gazing in rapture; Joan of Arc heard voices and had revelations; Lord Castlereagh saw on one occasion a spectral child; Ben Jonson informed Drummond of Hawthornden that he had passed a night in looking at Tartars and Turks, Romans and Carthaginians, fighting round his great toe; Malebranche heard the voice of Deity; Lord Herbert of Cherbury heard an agreeable noise in the heavens, which he accepted as a favorable response to his prayer for direction in regard to the publication spectre. The cases of Mohammed, Luther, Ignatius a natius Loyola, Colonel Gardiner, and a host of others will occur to the reader as being probably examples of hallucination determined by that most prolific source of illusions, strong religious feeling.

In an article on hauntings on the theory of hallucinations, that they are not always reproductions of past states of consciousness, Bostock the physiologist states that on one occasion he had constantly before him a human figure, the features and dress of which were as distinctly visible as that of any real existence, and of which, after an interval of many years, he still retained a lively impression; yet he had never been able to discover any person whom he had previously seen who resembled it. A theory which would cover the whole facts must account not only for the renovation of former mental states, but for the presentation of new combinations effected by the imagination. Upon the recondite question of the intimate causation of these illusions, however, we cannot enter. We know the mode by which the senses are impressed by objects external to them; but the question in hallucination is, in what way they can be affected from within so as to give the effect of impressions from without. There is one part of the problem which to the popular mind may appear the most inexplicable, if not the only thing needing explanation; we refer to the apparent objectiveness—outwardness—of the mental image. How can a mere subjective sensation appear to have an objective existence? This difficulty, however, vanishes on reflection. The image of a body impressed on the retina—no matter in what way that impression has originated—must necessarily, in obedience to the laws of vision, be perceived as an object apparently external. The real difficulty, then, is not to account for the simulation of reality—that is a necessity arising from the very conditions of sensation; the puzzle is to explain the production of the sensation itself, a problem for the complete solution of which we do not possess the necessary data. But what may be called the proximate causes of hallucination—that is, the physical, mental and moral condition under which they are generated—lie within the sphere of useful scientific inquiry; and their study is one eminently helpful to a proper understanding of some of the darker pages of history.

PROVERBS AND MAXIMS.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY DASHER.

"*Solomon was a wise man.*"—Is that a proverb or a fact? We are a believer in proverbs. For instance, when Henry Ward Beecher rises in his pulpit, if he ever does, and tells us that "Every man is the architect of his own fortune"—we feel like exclaiming with "our next president," "So was I! So was I!" a proverb?

"*The early bird catches the worm.*"—Did the bird die? We've seen something about Dye eat of worms, and did not know but it was the Dutch for the funeral notice of the bird. Is the "Diet of worms" a proverb also?

"*Honesty is the best of policy.*"—Does 4-11-44 indicate honesty? or does it refer to Andy Johnson, or Ben Wood? Is Ben Wood a proverb? and if so what is Andy Johnson?

"*Let hope be your handmaid.*"—Now if hope is good-looking and not above twenty, cleanly in person, we have no objection, but will exclaim with some other fool, "Hope on, hope ever!"

"*Hope maketh the heart glad.*"—Is hope a proverb?

"*Truth is the hidden gem we all must dig for.*"—How much do you suppose that fellow knew about farming? Had he ever read "What I know," &c.? We thought post holes and potatoes were the things "we must dig for."

"*An hour in the morning is worth two at night.*"—Now it strikes us, that depends. If a fellow wants to study astronomy, or go to the theatre, or take his girl out walking in the woods, or park, why we think an hour at night is worth a whole month of forenoons; ain't it?

"*Eat not to dullness—drink not to elevation.*"—That chap was no epicure; he never had a supper-meal in his life. We'll leave it to Warren Leland; and as for temperance, we'll bet on Jerry Thomas' oath that he was a regular Harrigan and Hart. "Little fraud, little fraud."

"*Ignorance talks loud.*"—The perpetrator of that must have been in congress.

"*Pleasure is a phantom:—wealth a vanity:—power a boast.*"—Give us lots of *phantom*, in ours. Don't we wish we had plenty of *vanity*, but with enough *boast* we'd soon boost up the other.

"*One to-day is worth two to-morrow.*"—One what? we'll take the two to-morrow; guess we wouldn't have a lease on life.

"*Justice is not industry.*"—That's so; they generally are wise. Newspapers, husband's dirty shirts, or clean ones, if clean ones are handiest, sometimes sawdustry, but never the industry, never heard of the material. Is it a proverb? Wish we were a bustle. Go way!

"*Go to bed with the lamb, and rise with the lark!*"—Provided, of course, that the lamb is a female lamb—Mary's little lamb, for instance. Oh, yes, we have no objection to going to bed with lambs, provided we don't get up "sheared." Is lark another name for "shorn?" There's many a chap goes to bed "*on a lark*" and gets up in the morning feeling very much as if he had been *lambed*.

A Scotch adage reads:—"*An old man in a house is a good sign in a house,*" while another says:—"*Burn the old man and his works.*" Now if we change "old man" to *old mother in-law*, then we agree with them both.

But the best of all, is that good old English adage or maxim:—

"*Dinner to a minute, and all ready to begin it.*"—That's us; every time.

A FRENCH PRIEST'S WILL.—I bequeath, first, to the Abbe Muchand my breviary, since he must have lost his. (Muchand is one of the three unfrocked priests who propose to create a schism, who have no learning, talent or faith, but who make much noise.) Second.—To M. Jules Favre, my gown, to hide his shame. Third.—To M. Gambetta, my girdle, to put around his neck. Fourth.—To M. Thiers, his book, so that he may re-read it. Fifth.—To France, my wallet, because it may shortly need it.

GOOD TEMPER.—No trait of character is more valuable than good temper. Home can never be made happy without it. It is like flowers springing up in our pathway, reviving and cheering us. Kind words and looks are the outward signs; patience and forbearance the sentinels within.

TWO BARS TOO MANY.—A drunken lawyer was pleading, but the Judge stopped him, saying:—"No man can serve two bars at the same time."

LOVE'S SYMPATHY.

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BY H. B. H

"Dear art thou to me now, as in that hour
When first Love's wave of feeling, spray-like, broke
Into bright utterance, and we said we loved."—*Festus.*

Let me ever thus be near thee
When thy heart is sad,
With fond words of hope to cheer thee,
Bidding thee be glad
This shall be my chief employ,
Sharing all thy cares with joy.

When thou'rt pining, lonely, weary,
Let me cheer thy hours;
And to life's dark way and dreary,
Love's soft light impart;
This the only boon I ask,
Thus to share thine every task.

When long years have left their traces
Deep upon thy brow,
Let me feel thy warm embraces
As I feel them now,
And my sweetest joy will be,
Thus to spend my life with thee.

IN WINTER QUARTERS.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY CHARLES H. DAY.

The fire burned brightly and the circus folk gathered 'round. The night clerk nodded at his desk and the pointers of the clock indicated the near approach of midnight. Broadway, the city's great thoroughfare, was hushed, and disturbed only by an occasional carriage at long intervals rolling over the paved way. The boys were now ripe for fun. Landlord Leland had just retired to his room, and the "Independent Order of Night Hawks"—as they termed themselves—had an established rule that 'this body shall convene so soon as the proprietor may retire, or as soon thereafter as practicable."

From room No. 1, close by, the familiar voices of Joel Warner, Andy Springer, Frank Rosston, Charlie Pell, George Guilford, Darwin Colvin, Charles Castle, Hughes and other managerial and literary lights in the sawdust world, have some time since ceased. Some of the setters about the fire were in full dress and sparkling with diamonds, while others had a careless air which spoke plainly of "good times" in the summer, and a "paying for the whistle" all winter.

Strange and humorous were the yarns they spun, each vieing with the other. Billy Burke, as usual, was enthusiastic about James Robinson, with whom he traveled the past season, and mentioned special occasions when the "champion of the world" performed the most wonderful things upon the flying steed. At length, in his relation, he came to the occasion of a disturbance. The show was in a south-western city, and no sooner was the tent pitched than a quarrelsome individual full of "family quarrel" began to make himself obnoxious to circus people and the public.

As described by the clown, there traveled with Robinson as boss canvasman an individual combining in himself the powers of Mace, O'Baldwin and Coburn rolled into one, a mountain of flesh and musc

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

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HENRY, S. M.—1. The title of "Champion of the Thames" was possessed by Robt. Chambers at the time of his decease, having been won by him in a match with Tom Sayers, in 1856. After he had once assumed the appearance, the articles for the matches between Kelley and Sadler, and Kelley and Renforth, not having contained any mention of the "Championship of the Thames," Sadler is the foremost claimant of the title, and has since been looked upon as champion of England since the death of James Renforth, though he has not successfully contended for the title mentioned. 2. The first properly authenticated champion sculler of America was probably Wm. Brown, who rowed a match with Hanlan, of Toronto, Canada, on Oct. 11th, 1859, when he made his great five-mile time of 35:10, beating Fay, Daw and Hancon. He lost the title to James Hamill, who was in turn succeeded by Walter Brown. Hamill afterward got a foul, but afterwards had it wrested from him by Henry Coulter. The latter was deprived of it by Walter Brown, who held it at the period of his death. It is now really in abeyance, though Coulter is regarded as its rightful claimant, having challenged without acceptance.

MAGGIE S., N. Y.—1. "Can any of the players of the disbanded Troy and other nines play with the Mutuals, or any other professional club, when on a day or date a club is booked to play?" Answer: Any player with the disbanded clubs count in the championship?"..... One of the rules of the Professional Association—see page 126, of De Witt's Guide for 1872—is the following:—"In case that a club or player is prevented from attending on the ground at the time set to enter into the contest with him, then the player—if the club has been adjudged guilty after a fair trial before the championship committee—shall be absolved from any obligations to his written contract, and the same shall be declared cancelled." By this rule it seems to us, in equity, if not by law, that the players of a disbanded club should be regarded as eligible to enter any other club immediately. The "sixty days' probation" was not intended to stop "revolving," and not to prevent the players of a disbanded club from joining other organizations. We should decide, by the above rule, that the late Troy nine can play in any club they may engage with now.

MARY, Baltimore.—An earned run is obtained as follows:—A —first striker—makes first base by a safe hit; B ditto, sending A to second; C then hits a two baser and sends A home. The next three strikers give the ball direct to the catcher, but, in so doing, B dropped fly, a wild throw and a muff, all three score runs; and six runs are obtained before the side is put out. Now in this case but one run is earned, though only three men out of nine at the bat may have given chances for outs. In three chances to put players out are offered by the batting side before a run is scored, then no run can be earned. A passed ball may prevent a run being earned. Of course no runs can be earned unless bases are made by base hits.

STRONG TWELVE, Harrisburg.—"There was one man on second and another on first; the man at the bat makes three strikes, and the catch of the ball on the bat, and the man on first base, touches him, and then throws the ball to second base. Now the question is, whether the man running from first to second is forced out, or whether he can run back to his first base?"..... The moment the catcher touches the player on first base, the latter is then forced, and the second base ceased to be forced off, and could return to first. The play of the catcher, after missing the catch on the third strike, was to throw the ball to second, and try for the double play.

C. L. G.—Before the start at Fleetwood Park, A beat B that Henry would be last. A claims that as Goldsmith Maid was drawn at the end of the second heat she was out of the race, and, consequently, won the third heat. B says, as four started and Henry got 3d money, he could not be *last*. Who wins the bet?"..... B wins the bet, for the withdrawal of Goldsmith Maid after the second heat made her a worse horse in the race than Henry, who took third money.

STORY, Pittsfield, Mass.—1. Opinions differ upon that point. 2. On Sept. 4th. 3. No. Goldsmith Maid's time is the best on record. 4. The horse has been made to run for a purse of $1,000 at a private trial and does not go on record. 4. It is due to both causes. 5. They are. 6. The jury on the Stokes trial stood, at the time of their discharge, seven for murder in the first degree, and five for manslaughter in the first degree.

J. LEVIS, Trenton.—1. The fastest recorded time for 150 yards, by a pedestrian, is 14½ seconds, made by Geo. Seward, in England; the fastest time in America is 15 seconds, made by Lang and Richards, at Providence, R. I., in 1869, and by Wm. Stevenson, in a fireman's race at New Orleans, La., in 1870. 2. The best 300 yard time on record is 30 seconds, made by Lang, at Providence, R. I.

J. C., Brooklyn.—Where no understanding has been agreed upon as to the value of a straight, the *lex loci*, or custom of the house, must govern. 2 We think it is incorrect, but the value varies. In the game on the other ground. The Resolutes should, under the circumstances, visit Easton now.

A CONSTANT READER.—1. The Lydia Thompson Troupe will probably disband after the present season, as we are informed it is the intention of Miss Thompson then to retire from public life. 2. The parties you name are not married.

VICTORIA, Buffalo, N. Y.—William Francis Brough died at Liverpool, Eng., May 31st, 1867. An account of his death and a sketch of his life was published in the CLIPPER of June 10th, of that year.

A. S., Boston.—1. Only two points can be taken for a euchre under any circumstances. Two players cannot go alone against each other. 2. There are no recognized rules governing the game in question.

ISAAC VOCALIST, Binghamton.—1. We don't know where the song in question has got. 2. The player making the trump can play it alone. 3. A pair of aces and pair of nines beat two kings and two queens.

TURFMAN, Evansville, Ind.—As the horses Jay Gould, Billy Haskins, Fleetwood, Woodford and Fleetwood Mare entered in the race at Cincinnati with Goldsmith Maid and Lucy, the bet as to the placing of the horses is drawn.

T. F. B., Baltimore.—1. Goldsmith Maid has never been behind the distance pole in any race, but she has been drawn before the race was finished. 2. Flora Temple was twice beaten by Geo. M. Patchen.

RANGER.—1. Patsy Reardon beat LAZ. Smith, Travers and Dillon; fought draws with Jack Rooke (twice), Shipp and Geo. King, and received forfeit from Fred. Bussey in this country. 2. We do not know where you can obtain the poem mentioned.

OWEN M. WILSON, Jr., Chicago.—You will have seen ere this, no doubt, that "Ulalee" was published in our last. In regard to the other poems, we were under the impression that they were acknowledged at the time we received them. Will look them up.

MIKE.—1. If you are playing "count out" game, then the player making the required number of points first, and calling, wins. 2. Both A and B going out together, the game is drawn. No case point has precedence over another, as at old sledge.

W. S., Chicago.—The time made by Goldsmith Maid in her recent races at Cleveland and Cincinnati, was 2:19; 2:18; 2:19 at the former place, and 2:19; 2:17¾; 2:21 at the latter. No answers by mail.

OCEAN PEARL, Syracuse, N. Y.—The diamond pin that James Fisk, Jr., used to wear was variously estimated in value at from $10,000 to $15,000, but whether the largest and most valuable in the United States we can't say.

AT ONE WHO KNOWS.—At ordinaire, when the cards are played as follows, 4, 7, 8, 6, the player of the five is entitled to a sequence of three, she the player of the last six.

OYSTER, Topeka, Kansas.—Miss Kate Denin was in California for some time. As your other questions refer to the domestic affairs of professional ladies, we cannot answer them.

J. J. A., Baltimore.—1. He did not. 2. Heenan fought Morrissey, Sayers and King. 3. Coburn is.

PATSY J. S.—The Harvard international crew left New York for England, to row their race with the Oxford crew, July 10th, 1869, in the Inman steamer City of Paris.

SPORTSMAN.—The Derby Course is one mile and a half in length. 2. The fastest time the Derby has been run in is 2:43, by Kettledrum and Blair Athol.

J. B., Providence, R. I.—Lady Thorn's time in the race alluded to was 2:35¾; 2:34¾; 2:36¼; 2:31; Narragansett Park, October, 1871.

T. H. B., Adrian, Mich.—Four aces beat a routine flush, the latter only when as a regular finish unless a special agreement to the contrary has been made before commencement. 2. Is full on Kaiser and Queens a regular finish? Answer: Yes. 3. Is full on Kaiser and Queens a regular finish? Answer: Yes. 4. The following is recorded standing jumps: Mike Sullivan, 11 feet 4 inches; T. Hyatt, 11 feet 3½ inches. 5. The first question was 2:35; 2:34¾; 2:36¼; 2:31; Narragansett Park, October, 1871. 6. There are no recognized rules for euchre games. 7. We know of no answering any questions concerning pastel pencils.

J. S. A., Cincinnati.—1. The fastest mile on record is 1:47¾, made by Alaric, at Saratoga. There is no time officially taken on the English course. 2. Gladiateur has no mile record.

READER, Dearborn.—1. Goldsmith Maid's time at Milwaukee, 2:12, goes on the record. 2. In case of a tie for stakes, the non-dealer is entitled to the choice.

LANCIER, Trenton, N. J.—According to the last census, the Irish born population of New York city numbered 207,000, and the German born 151,000.

J. R. D.—Billy Boyce, as you will see by a report in another column, was engaged in a pacing race at Buffalo on Saturday, the 3d inst.

A. D., Brooklyn.—B is right, for after he had called the bobs "trays" A could not build it four, although he could take it with a tray if he held one in hand.

J. S. S., Hartford.—If the player who first declared to go alone only made three tricks, he can score but one point. We do not answer questions by mail.

DOUBLE TEAM, St. Louis.—The fastest trotting time on record for one mile, double team, is 2:27¾, by Jessie Wales and Darkness, Narragansett Park, Cranston, R. I., in 1870.

J. W. S., St. Louis, Mo.—1. James H. Munroe is the assistant engineer of the Metropolitan Fire Department. 2. Goldsmith Maid's fastest time is 2:16¾.

A SUBSCRIBER, Warsaw, Ill.—At draughts, when each player has but one man, with one of them in the double corner, the game is nothing else but a draw.

READER, Mansfield, O.—O having made the two points he gave A, with his ace and Jack, goes out before B with his low; his high carrying him out first.

W. Y., Cincinnati.—We published the full history of Dexter's career on the turf in the fall of 1867, and cannot afford space to republish it.

A. B.—"In playing draw game dominoes, is a man obliged to play when he holds a playing piece in his hand?".....No; he can draw if he choses, even when he holds a playing piece.

HARRY HASSETT, Washington, D. C.—We know of no law to that effect, and our opinion is that there is no limit to the number of terms, provided he is elected.

AN AMATEUR, St. Louis, Mo.—1. One seven and three fours count twelve, viz., six for fifteens and six for pair-royal. The nine didn't come in. 2. Don't know; write to the party himself.

P. P. C. Co., Chicago.—In their dealings with us we have always found them to be prompt and reliable. Further than this we cannot say.

J. M. M., Green River, N. Y.—1. We prefer not to use it. 2. It is possible such time may have been made, but we do not think it at all probable.

WM. JOHNSON, Greenville.—The fastest recorded time for one mile, by a pedestrian, level ground, is 4:17¾, made by Lang and Richards, in a dead heat.

BEN YOUNT.—The rule says:—"If he turns to the left he ceases to be entitled to the privilege of exemption from being put out for over-running his base."

T. J. P., Columbus, Ohio.—1. The Reds have won but one game out of three played with the Athletics this year. 2. Do not know.

3. Geo. Wright was in the nine last season.

RESOLUTE, Council Grove, Kansas.—The Alert club having infringed the rules of 1872 by having players in their nine who were not legally entitled to play, forfeit the game, 9 to 0.

G. R. HOAGLAND.—If there is a man on third base, and the striker is given first base on called balls, if the last ball passes the catcher, can the man on third run home?".....Yes.

P. D., Brooklyn, E. D.—Herman Knapp, one of the leading oculists in the world, can be seen at No. 49 East Twelfth street, N. Y., from 12 to 2 o'clock daily.

C. C., Chicago, Ill.—In round numbers, the public debt of the United States, less amount in Treasury, was $2,635,306,753; in December, 1869, $2,483,950,735.33, and on Dec. 1st, 1871, it was $2,348,251,367.85.

E. J. F. H.—We cannot tell without questioning them, and you can do that as well as we.

J. R., Newhaven.—1. He was born at New Haven, Conn. 2. One hundred yards, 9¼ seconds.

W. MORGAN.—An advertisement same size as the one you mention will cost $1.50 for each insertion.

G. W. H.—see advertising column of "Keystone Club." On such an evident miscalculation the money should be returned.

KEYSTONE CLUB, York, Pa.—The hand counts but eighteen, as stated in the answer to C. D. C., Oswego.

J. L. C., Chicago.—You will find the rules of euchre and seven up in American Hoyle.

R. L. N., Ogdensburg.—Goldsmith Maid 15, Lady Thorn 15, Dexter 14, American 12.

J. F. C. AND H. C.—Heenan and King fought at Wadhurst, Kent, Eng., Dec. 10th, 1863.

GLADIATOR, Marshfield, Oregon.—Tom Allen fought Mike McCoole once only, at Kent's Run, Ohio.

B. M. F., Rynd Farm, Pa.—1. Goldsmith Maid is a year older than Dexter. 2 Can't see the joke.

GLASGOW, Chicago.—Wm. McKeever was killed while driving Gen. Butler at Lake Geneva, Chicago, Sept. 22d, 1866.

O. W., Evansville, Ind.—Dexter is in his 14th year, having been foaled in 1858.

C. B. D., Toronto.—You won the bet and your opponent must pay. No answers by mail.

J. D. Scranton, Pa.—Savernake ran second to Lord Lyon for both Derby and St. Leger in 1866.

S. C., Cumberland, Md.—Budd Doble drove Goldsmith Maid when she made her fastest record of 2:16¾, at Boston.

NEWELL, Buffalo.—Closes his bet, for the Jack is scored the moment it is turned.

A. D., Southaven, Conn.—Our figures were taken from published statistics, and they are, therefore, most probably correct.

AL. PERRY, Cincinnati, O.—The Denin sisters, Susan and Kate, are both living.

A. W. J., Cincinnati, O.—Lassos are not to be purchased in New York.

MANAGER EMERSON'S MINSTRELS.—Cash received per telegraph company.

C. H. S., Wilmington, N. C.—Miss Lucille Western is not a Jewess.

J. D., Elkhart, Ind.—Broome and Elm streets intersect each other.

F. M. H.—We will examine our "department of supplies," and report result.

W. R. N., Phila.—Thank you; it shall have an early appearance.

AN OLD SPORT, Albany.—Joe Coburn was born at Middletown, county Armagh, Ireland, July 20th, 1835.

A. S., Ylisonburg, Ont.—F. wins, as sixteen is not the half of thirty-three.

J. S.—1. Both Harry Bassett and Longfellow are stallions. 2 A stud is a stallion. 3. Of course they can be used as race horses.

A. B. C., Baltimore.—If your dog is matched at 26 lbs., and he draws that weight at scale, of course he is not too heavy.

M. ENDRES, Buffalo, N. Y.—Will examine the case, and let you know the result.

JACK HARLOW, Titusville, Pa.—We have had no intimation that our correspondent has left. He may be temporarily absent.

M. C., Nashville, Tenn.—We will consider the proposal when the fall season commences.

F. B., Chicago.—A deal had not been completed, and neither hand turned, the correction was proper.

J. P. T., Grand Rapids, Mich.—One was in our last issue, as you may have seen.

C. E. O., Buffalo.—It is not certain that we shall send, but probable.

All bets commanded by Muley, as a deposit.

STONEMAN, Hartford, Ct.—The fastest running time for 440 yards is 48¾ seconds, made by Lang, in England.

YOU KNOW WHO, Washington.—A junior club ceases to be a junior club that plays any senior in their nine.

KENNELL, New Orleans.—Bass is in Brooklyn; York is in the Bay State.

B. S. SPANGLER, Paducah, Ky.—The "Reds" did not lose a single game in 1869.

ACTOR, Tottenville.—The Athletics won the championship last season, the committee awarding them the pennant in November.

W. J. H., Pittsburgh, Pa.—Tae Reds won three games out of the four played with the Athletics in 1871.

FRANCIS B. GREEN, Chicago.—The Baltimore and Troy clubs played in Chicago, July 4th, the former winning by 20 to 4.

AN OLD READER.—You will learn all about the Junior Convention by examining the "Spirit of the Times" of Nov. 25th, 1871.

D. D. EMMETT, Chicago.—Your response to Sim. Pelton's charges came too late for this issue, but will appear in our next.

SIMS PLASHES, Brooklyn.—We do not know the nine well enough to make a selection.

H. F. S.—Good, but naughty; too naughty for our pious readers. Mic. Galveston.—McMullen pitched for the Troy nine in 1870.

S. H. C.—A full hand beats a flush. No answers by mail.

BUCOS HOUSE, Chicago.—Goldsmith Maid is 15 years old.

PROF. W., Burlington, N. J.—It is a curiosity in its way.

FRITZ MORRIS, Marriotsc, Mich.—Respectfully declined.

H. W. G., Slough, Canada.—Letter forwarded per express.

J. M., Marshall, Mich.—Lucy has a record of 2:22¾.

JERU, N. O.—We have made other arrangements.

H. M., Providence, R. I.—Thank you for the bill.

R. C. W.—We will see if we can get it for you.

WM. N. R.—We will give it an early airing.

AUB GUS.—For four insertions $1.50 more.

CLUB, Greenfield, Ind.—Declined. Declined.

ANN LEE, Covington.—Declined.

HOMEWARD BOUND.—The tide of ocean travel, which has been outward for several months past, has now reached the turning point, and our many thousands of absentees in Europe are beginning to turn their faces homeward, each returning steamer bringing a large number of European sight-seers. The great travel ocean-ward has no doubt interfered with the revenue of the hotels at our first class watering places, as the expenses of an ocean trip are no greater than the cost of stopping at Long Branch, Cape May, Saratoga, etc. Before a great while we shall have Europeans making summer trips to America, for the purpose of seeing the country and viewing the many wonderful works of nature to be met with in all parts of the United States.

AGRICULTURAL.—Some time ago, Gen. Grant, who is a good liver, said, in his off hand way, at a time, too, when such vegetables were out of season, "*let us* have *peas*." Horace Greeley, who is a farmer in disguise, at once resolved *to martyr* himself, and procure the desired provender without regard to expense; so he commenced his farming operations at once, his first efforts being among the *Carolinas*, where he has *been* digging for some time, if only for *greens*, but where he expects to *turn up* anything to *beet* Grant. Horace's good offices have been duly appreciated by a number of the president's friends, and now even Gen. Grant is ready to acknowledge the *corn*.

NEIGHBOR GREELEY has given public notice that he will have no more free pic nics at Chappaqua. We are not advised as to the real cause of this abolition of free feeds at the rural retreat of the philosopher, but it is probable that the participants consumed too much provender, and were altogether too lively in the indulgence of their ravenous appetites. If the philosopher's friends are so hungry now, what will they be should the genial Horace be chosen as the White-house keeper at Washington?

DURING THE hottest of the hot cycle, when everything else was dried up and scorched, a lady of Pittsfield, Mass., was credited with having made her husband happy by presenting him with two sons and a daughter. This is one of those yarns that we don't believe in, for no sane man can be made happy by such a sudden and unprepared-for addition to his household expenses. We think the lady of Pittsfield *ought* to be ashamed of herself, but we dare say that she glories in her demoralising achievement.

WIDOW PIC NICS are among the summer recreations of a portion of Ohio's feminine population. This is another shrewd device of the sex to get men into trouble, and if the authorities of that pork-begotten city have any interest at all in the welfare and peace of mind of *man* kind, they should squelch these false pretence *widow* pic nics at once. Prevention is cheaper and better than *cure*, no matter how much Cincinnati may be prejudiced in favor of the latter.

MANAGERS AND DIRECTORS of theatrical amusements are already making announcements for the coming season, as may be seen by a glance at our advertising columns, while performers not yet engaged are also inserting their cards for managerial observation. Owners of halls, too, are in the field, with their pronunciamentos, and agents of traveling troupes are making known their intentions for the campaign now about opening.

LOOKING AHEAD.—One of our western exchanges says that "a new town, named Greeley, has been laid out in Missouri, on the Platte river." That town ought to grow very fast if the candidate after whom it is named is not also *laid out* in November next.

WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT FARMING—Now is the time to sow your seed for next year's ice crop.

SQUIBS AND [illegible]

[illegible] Pennsylvania, around Manch Chunk, and [illegible] together, take in the "Switchback" railroad ride, and make quite a feature of going "down in a coal mine;" it may not be out of place to remark, however, that a few of the more timid ones look before they get very far underground.

"THE HEIGHT OF THE SEASON" has been attained, the great crowd has had its summer recreation, the bottom of the Saratoga trunk (as well as the bottom dollar) has been reached, and things at the summer resorts will henceforth be on the down grade. Landlords have not much cause to complain as to their profits.

EMPTY HONORS.—The King of Siam, we are told, has conferred the order of the White Elephant on King Amadeus of Spain. *Our* opinion is, that Amadeus has elephant enough on his hands already.

SUICIDAL.—We are given to understand that several of the county agricultural associations are to abolish horse racing at their fairs. Will not such a policy tend to abolish the fairs as well?

THEY DELIGHT to dabble in gore in Cincinnati. In one day, recently, three hundred dogs were slaughtered. We presume these dogs will be canned, so as to be ready and fresh when the sausage season comes round.

OH, WOMAN, WOMAN.—Out in Calumet, Wis., a female has had six children in eleven months. Does she mean to advance this as an argument in favor of her good breeding?

GREAT WASTE.—During a recent thunder storm at Patriot, Ind., seventeen hundred barrels of whiskey were destroyed. How it must have made the Patriots' mouths water!

GRAIN ELEVATOR—Rye whiskey.

NEWS OF THE WEEK BOILED DOWN.

☞ The American fleet was visited by the Prince and Princess of Wales, at Southampton, Eng., on July 31st, being received on board the Brooklyn by Admiral James Alden, commanding. Many distinguished persons were present by invitation. In the evening the Admiral and principal officers of the fleet dined with the prince on board the royal yacht, which was brilliantly illuminated.

☞ A riot occurred at Savannah, Ga., between whites and negroes, on July 29th, originating in the ejection of several of the latter from street cars set apart for the exclusive use of whites. Cars were repeatedly fired into and the shots returned, several persons, including women and children, being wounded. A proclamation was issued by the mayor, asking citizens to assist in preserving the peace.

☞ The Cuban war vessel Pioneer was taken charge of at Newport, R. I., on Aug. 1st, by Marshal and Deputy Ritchie, of the Moccasin, by order of the president. Her commander, Lieut. J. A. Chaureon, protested against the seizure, and, before leaving threw his sword overboard, fired a gun and nailed the Cuban flag to the mast.

☞ A dispatch from Geneva, dated July 31st, says that these is authority for the statement that complete harmony prevails in the Board of Arbitration upon the Alabama claims, and a settlement of all questions before the tribunal is expected within a few weeks.

☞ It is reported that an International agent from Chicago, Ill., is figuring largely as a fomentor of discord in the Department du Nord, France, and is trying to induce disaffected Germans to emigrate to America. Serious trouble has occurred at Denain and Anzin, but the arrival of troops has restored order.

☞ A fire broke out in a barge laden with petroleum, at Hunter's Point, on the East River, on July 31st, scattering the burning fluid around, the Standard Petroleum Oil Works, the Guano Works, and a number of other buildings caught fire and were destroyed. Loss, $250,000.

☞ General amnesty has been proclaimed in Mexico, embracing all persons engaged in the recent revolution, and restoring them to civil and political rights. The insurgents are every where laying down their arms and submitting to the Federal authorities.

☞ Cortina, the Mexican general, has been accused by the Frontier Commission on Depredations of assisting in transporting herds of cattle from Texas to Mexico, feeding his troops with them and selling the hides for his own benefit.

☞ A passenger train on the Kansas Pacific railway fell through a bridge (the supports of which had been washed away by a flood) at Big Creek, on July 30th. Five persons were killed and many others severely injured.

☞ An explosion of gun cotton, with which experiments were being made, shattered about 100 windows in the treasury building, London, Eng., on Saturday, July 27th, and the Right Hon. Acton Ayrton narrowly escaping injury.

☞ Williamsport, Pa., has resumed its wonted business-like aspect, a majority of the mills being again in operation. The troops have been relieved from duty and the leading strikers are out on bail.

☞ A Havana dispatch of July 24th says that General Rigueime reports an engagement between government troops and insurgents, members of the Dannie expedition. Ten of the filibusters were killed and four captured, who were subsequently executed.

☞ It has been discovered that Sergt. Baker, of Battery G, 1st U. S. artillery, who was reported to have been drowned, was murdered while on his way from Mill Creek to Fortress Monroe, Va., by a white man and a negro, who are now in jail.

☞ The *Independence Belge*, says a dispatch from Brussels, Belgium, dated July 29th, that the examination of the Geneva tribunal in the cases of the Florida and Alabama will together amount to £1,500,000 sterling.

☞ The boiler of the ferry boat, James Malburn, exploded near Medgreer, Ia., on the Mississippi river, July 30th. Fifteen of the twenty-five persons on board were killed and others were badly injured.

☞ The North Carolina election took place on August 1st, and though the exact vote of the state cannot yet be announced, sufficient is known to state that the democrats and liberals have carried it by a small majority.

☞ The mortality in Philadelphia for the week ending August 3d numbered 477, showing a decrease of 53 compared with the previous week. Small pox has nearly disappeared, there being but four deaths during the week.

☞ Hon. Benjamin Spinola, Treasurer, was suddenly attacked by [illegible], at his residence, 2 Spinola place, Jamaica, L. I., on July 31st. He continued to sink rapidly, and died at 2 o'clock on the morning of Aug. 1st, aged 72.

☞ The Iowa elevator, at Chicago, Ill., was destroyed by fire on the 31st ult., containing 180,000 bushels of grain, and the total loss is about $90,000.

☞ After a three hours' session, the Geneva Board of Arbitration adjourned on July 30th, to re-assemble on August 8th, in order to fix a time for the consideration of special questions.

☞ A violent storm visited Geneva, Switzerland, and neighborhood, on July 31st, causing great damage to the crops and property generally.

☞ Mr. Stanley, Livingstone's discoverer, was entertained by Americans at a banquet in Paris, France, on July 31st, Minister Washburne presiding. He left next day for London, Eng.

☞ Tyler Pitt, fell out of a third story window of the Pennsylvania Railroad office, Philadelphia, Pa., on July 31st, and was killed.

☞ A project for a loan of $50,000,000, for the improvement of the finances of Cuba, will be submitted by the Spanish government upon the re-assembling of the Cortes.

☞ The Reliance Tunnel and Mining Company, possessing a capital stock of $800,000, was organized at Salt Lake City, Utah, on the 31st ult. Lloyd Rawlings is president.

☞ H. C. Kimball was run over by a car, at the Baltimore railroad depot, Philadelphia, Pa., on July 30th, and died from his injuries.

☞ Jas. H. Finch & Co.'s wholesale liquor house, at Baltimore, Md., was damaged by fire to the extent of about $9,000, on July 31st.

☞ Boucher & Wolkewitz's white lead and color works, at St. Louis, Mo., were destroyed by fire on July 31st, causing a loss of $75,000. Other property was damaged to the extent of $9,000.

☞ Jerry Sullivan, aged 24, was killed by a horse, while the cotton crop in Alabama, and, as a consequence, the planters are greatly depressed.

☞ A fire broke out in the moulding mill of Sherman Brothers, at Brooklyn, L. I., on July 29th, destroying property valued at $60,000.

☞ An incendiary fire destroyed the St. Charles Hotel, Freeman's block, and other buildings at Jefferson, Texas, on July 30th. Loss, $130,000.

☞ The slaughter houses located at Forty-seventh street and First avenue, this city, were destroyed by fire on July 30th. One hundred cattle perished in the flames. Loss, $150,000.

☞ Thos. Carroll, of San Jose, Cal., shot a florist named Henri Pattel dead, on July 27th, having mistaken him for a highwayman.

☞ Gould's tannery at Charlestown Neck, Mass., was destroyed by fire on July 29th. Loss, $85,000. James Duffy perished in the flames and two firemen were injured.

☞ Angus McIntire attempted to cross the railroad track in front of a train at Bangor, Me., on July 29th, and received injuries from which he died in two hours.

☞ A dispatch from Rome, dated July 29th, states that the Pope has protested against the proclamation (the Archbishop of Baltimore and the Bishop of Richmond).

☞ Alex. Burnapee, having attempted to cross the railroad track at Woonsocket, R. I. in a carriage, on Aug. 2d, was run into by the Worcester train and killed.

☞ Thos. Dunlevy, who murdered Daniel McCalley at Phœnixville, Pa., was apprehended at the Falls of the Schuylkill on Aug. 2d.

☞ A business block of eleven houses was destroyed by fire at Plymouth, Ind., on Aug. 2d. Loss, $40,000. A Mr. Pol was seriously injured by falling from the roof of one of the buildings.

☞ Thos. Barlow was hanged at Mayeville, N. Y., on Aug. 2d, for the murder of Wm. Bachman, at Jamestown, a year or so ago.

☞ The mayor of Southampton, Eng., entertained Admiral Alden and the officers of the American fleet at a garden party at the ruins of Netley Abbey, on Aug. 3d.

☞ Thanksgiving services for the great success of the new French loan were held in the churches throughout France on the 4th inst.

☞ John Gaffney, found guilty of the murder of Patrick Fahey, was, on the 3d inst., sentenced to be hanged at Buffalo, N. Y., on Sept. 27th.

☞ Charles Sumner and Gen. N. P. Banks have declared in favor of the election of Horace Greeley, while Gen. John A. Dix has come out for Grant.

☞ A railroad disaster occurred on the Kinkora branch of the Camden and Amboy railroad, N. J., on Aug. 3d, demolishing two cars and seriously wounding an engineer and brakeman.

☞ Lloyd Garrison has written a letter advising the colored voters to "stick" to Grant. This will serve to counteract Sumner's advice.

☞ A fire broke out in Compton & Garrett's grocery store, Nashville, Tenn., on the 5th inst., and, extending to adjacent buildings, property was destroyed. Loss, $100,000.

☞ The propellor M. R. Robertson was destroyed by fire on Lake Erie on the night of July 29th, her crew narrowly escaping.

☞ John Casey's turpentine factory fat Brooklyn, L. I., was burned on Aug. 5th. Loss, $30,000.

☞ The Harrisburg, Pa., company's new car works were burned on Aug. 5d. Loss, $50,000.

☞ Chas. Regan fatally shot Richard Coleman in this city on the 4th inst.

☞ Peter Shaffer was stabbed and instantly killed by Heinrich Fralick, at Syracuse, N. Y., on Aug. 3d.

☞ Bill Poyer, a burglar, and Harris, the receiver, attempted to break jail at Newark, N. J., on Aug. 3d, but were detected.

☞ James Crothy, *alias* "Short Haired Jimmy," was shot, it is thought fatally, at San Francisco, Cal., on Aug. 2d.

☞ James Horan was dangerously stabbed by Jacob Keller, in this city, on Aug. 3d.

☞ Weeks & Co.'s store, this city, caught fire on the 3d inst., and damage amounting to $10,000 was done.

☞ A duel was fought between Charles Wilson, at San Francisco, Cal., on Aug. 1st, killing him instantly.

☞ A block containing eight stores was burned at Addison, N. Y., on Aug. 3d. Loss, $30,000.

☞ James Horan was dangerously stabbed by Jacob Keller, in this city, on Aug. 3d.

☞ Homer Beeman was killed by a locomotive at Brewer Hill, N. Y., crossing, on Aug. 3d.

☞ A sailor named Harry Smith the mate of the schooner Montebello, at Boston, Mass., on the 1st inst., and was killed.

☞ D. Ledig killed his wife and committed suicide, at Pleasanton, Cal., on Aug. 3d. Cause, jealousy.

☞ A break occurred in the canal at Holyoke, Mass., on Aug. 3d, damaging property to the extent of $25,000.

☞ Osborn's planing mill, South Brooklyn, L. I., was damaged by fire to the extent of $30,000 on Aug. 3d.

☞ The New Hotel Block, Oswego, N. Y., was burned on the 30th ult.

☞ Capt. Pennell, of the Edgar Stuart, was re-arrested at Aspinwall on July 19th, but was shortly afterwards released.

☞ The City Bank of Memphis, Tenn., suspended on July 31st. Liabilities, $50,000.

☞ John Fitzgerald, of Lynn, Mass., was killed by the caving in of a sand bank, on July 31st.

☞ Senor Alfrase was killed, and his command defeated by the Cuban insurgents, between Cubora and Holguin, recently.

☞ John Lonon, a negro, charged with Brown, was hanged by a mob at Elkton, Md., on July 29th.

☞ The Clarendon Hotel, at Saratoga, N. Y., has, it is stated, been purchased by Chas. R. Leland for $150,000.

☞ Several cases of Asiatic cholera are reported to have appeared at Berlin, Prussia.

☞ George Hussey committed suicide by taking morphine, at Buffalo, N. Y., on July 29th.

☞ Foxburg, Pa., was nearly destroyed by fire on July 29th.

☞ Deaths in New York last week, 730, a decrease of 71.

HUGH S. FARREN, of Boston, Mass., being dissatisfied with his late race with Tom Damery, wants to run him one mile, once in one course, for $500 a side, on Sept. 23d. He says he has placed a century in the hands of J. McKinarty, for Damery to cover.

JOHN HUGHES has withdrawn the deposit left with his challenge to run anybody from one mile to ten, or twenty, nobody having manifested a disposition to cover it.

DONALD DINNIE AND JAMES FLEMING are to show up at the annual games of the Caledonian societies of Montreal and Toronto, Canada, to be held on August 19th and 20th, respectively.

DEATH'S DOINGS.

Weekly Record of the Decease of Prominent Individuals.

COMPILED EXPRESSLY FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

ARRINGTON, Archibald H.—Twice elected to the Federal Congress, once from the Raleigh district and subsequently from the Newbern; was a member of the convention of 1861, and a delegate to the Confederate Congress; died at Goldsboro, N. C., on Philadelphia artist of the war. When at Richmond as a representative of the Confederate Congress he was unremitting in his attentions to the suffering and wounded on both sides—near Hilliardston, N. C., July 20th, aged 62.

ARMOUR, James—Waterloo veteran, joined the British army in 1808, and a member of the Royal Scotch Greys, cavalry regiment of the Household Brigade; died at Toronto, C. W., July 30th.

BUSHEL, John—Noted manufacturer of Laconia, and represented that city in the legislature in 1859 and '70—apoplexy, Laconia, N. H., July 26th, aged 57.

BUZZELL, Dr. John—An old physician, who had practiced at Cape Elizabeth for nearly fifty years—Cape Elizabeth, Me., about July 29th.

BOUSSENARD, Louis—Editor of the Frederick *Citizen*, and received the appointment of delegate from his congressional district, to the recent session of the democratic national convention, Baltimore—heart disease, Baltimore, Md., about July 29th.

BILLINGS, Leonard—Agent of the Portland Packet Company—Portland, Me., July 31st, aged 79.

BARNEY, Mrs. Mary Chase—Daughter of the late Judge Samuel Chase, and wife of Commodore Barney—the last of the American Independence, and widow of the son of Commodore Barney—Washington, D. C., about Aug. 1st, aged 83.

CLIFTON, Henry—Comic vocalist. See particulars in foreign news.

CONGAR, the Rev. Samuel F.—A well known resident of Newark—Newark, N. J., July 29th, aged 75.

COREY, Francis—Celebrated as a French cook—Place-en-Bresse, E. I., July 29th, aged 84.

O'CONNELL, Sir James—Last surviving brother of Daniel O'Connell—London, Eng., July 29th, aged 80.

CRABBE, Daniel—Of the firm of Kirkland, Chase & Co., one of the oldest and largest commission houses engaged in importing boots in Baltimore, and was highly esteemed in business circles—Baltimore, Md., July 26th, aged 76.

CONQUEST, Benjamin.—(Olivez) Actor and manager. See foreign dramatic summary.

CRAWFORD, Ex-Governor Geo. W.—Of Georgia, and secretary of war under President Taylor's administration; born in Columbia county, Ga., Dec. 24th, 1798, and graduated at the college of New Jersey, Princeton, in 1820; was admitted to the bar and practiced in Augusta, Ga., in 1822; was attorney general of the state from 1827 to 1831; was in the state legislature from 1837 to 1843, with the exception of one year, and was elected member of congress in 1843; was governor of Georgia from 1843 to 1847, and secretary of war in 1849; subsequently he visited Europe, since which time he has lived in retirement—Augusta, Ga., July 27th, aged 74.

DRAYTON, Henri—Vocalist and actor. Further particulars in city summary.

DARLEY, M. H. W.—The oldest church organist in Philadelphia; born in Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1808, and was for the first named city at an early age, and has for more than fifty years been identified with the cause of music. In connection with Benjamin Carr he was instrumental in introducing Weber's opera of "Der Freischutz" to an American audience; was one of the founders of the Musical Fund Society, for many years president of the Harmonia Sacred Music Society, and after the death of the latter of the Philadelphia Society. In connection with J. C. B. Stanbridge, was engaged in the publication of many musical works, the best

BASE BALL.

GAMES TO BE PLAYED.

PROFESSIONAL GAMES.

Aug. 6.—Atlantic vs. Mansfield, Capitoline Grounds.
Aug. 7.—Baltimore vs. Atlantic, Capitoline Grounds.
Aug. 8.—Mutual vs. Baltimore, Union Grounds.
Aug. 9.—Rockford vs. Baltimore, Union Grounds.
Aug. 10.—Boston vs. Mutual, at Boston.
Aug. 12.—Mutual vs. Boston, Union Grounds.
Aug. 17.—Boston vs. Cleveland, at Cleveland.
Aug. 19.—Boston vs. Cleveland, at Cleveland.

AMATEUR GAMES.

Aug. 6.—Dramatic vs. Stivers' Nine, at Bergen, N. J.
Aug. 8.—Mutual, Jr. vs. Red Caps, Champion Grounds, Jersey City.
Aug. 9.—Dramatic vs. Silver Star, at Jersey City.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP RECORD.

The following is the record, up to the close of July, of the clubs now in the championship arena:

	Athletic	Atlantic	Baltimore	Boston	Cleveland	Eckford	Mansfield	Mutual	Rockford	Total Won
Athletic		1	1	2	3	1	2	1	1	11
Atlantic	5		1	0	0	1	0	4	1	12
Baltimore	1	1		0	4	0	0	4	1	11
Boston	1	4	4		2	2	2	3	1	19
Cleveland	0	1	1	0		1	0	1	1	4
Eckford	0	0	0	0	1		0	0	0	1
Mansfield	0	1	0	0	1	2		0	1	4
Mutual	3	2	2	0	0	2	2		2	13
Total lost	5	10	8	2	11	7	6	17	7	64

We have left out the Troy, Olympic and National games, as in all probability, they will be thrown out by the championship committee. Either that, or all games not played to be forfeited.

MUTUAL vs. MANSFIELD.

These clubs played their fourth game on Aug. 5th, on the Union grounds, L. I., in the presence of about 500 spectators, but little interest being taken therein. The Mansfields played very well, however, until the ninth innings, when Bentley's wild pitching told in favor of the Mutuals. The New Yorkers played in fine style throughout. Hicks leading at the bat. O'Rourke's catching and Allen's short stopping were noteworthy features of the game. The score:—

MUTUAL.	R.	In.	P.O.	A.	MANSFIELD.	R.	In.	P.O.	A.
Eggler, c f	4	4	2	0	Booth, l f	0	1	2	0
McMullen, l f	3	3	1	0	Brainard, 2d b	0	0	3	5
Start, 1st b	0	2	11	0	Bentley, p	0	1	0	1
Bechtel, r f	2	2	1	0	Murnan, 1st b	0	0	10	0
Hicks, c	2	3	3	1	Fields, 3d b	0	2	1	3
Boyd, 3d b	1	3	2	1	Tipper, c f	1	3	0	0
Hatfield, 2d b	1	1	1	6	O'Rourke, c	0	1	6	1
Fulmer, s s	0	0	1	5	Allen, s s	0	0	0	5
Cummings, p	1	0	0	2	Carter, r f	0	1	1	0
Totals	14	18	27	15	Totals	3	5	27	11

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Mutual	2	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	7—14
Mansfield	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0—3

First base by errors—Mutual, 7; Mansfield, 6. Runs earned—Mutual, 5; Mansfield, 1. Total fielding runs—Mutual, 11; Mansfield, 8. Umpire—Mr. Ferruson, of the Atlantic Club. Time of game—3 hours and 5 minutes.

ATHLETIC vs. MANSFIELD.

The second game of the championship series between the Athletics, of Philadelphia, and the Mansfields, of Middletown, Conn., was played last Saturday, the 3d of August, on the ground of the former club. The first game between these clubs was also played in Philadelphia, the Athletics then winning by a score of 37 to 11. The attendance on the 3d inst., was estimated at about a thousand persons, a victory for the Athletics being regarded as a foregone conclusion. The weather was delightful, and formed a decided contrast to that experienced on the previous Saturday, when the rain caused a postponement of a game between these clubs. Asa Brainard, formerly of the Olympics, of Washington, played second base for the Mansfields on this occasion, and captained and led their nine. The Athletics won the toss, and in their second innings scored two runs earned by Malone and Treacy, Anson sending them both home by a heavy hit to centre-field. Tipper made a pretty running catch at left-field in this innings. Clubbing, who was given over to Brainard and Murnan, in the third innings, and helped around by McBride's good one base hit to centre-field, scored an unearned run for the Athletics. The Mansfields were whitewashed the first three innings, in one, two, three order, but in the next two innings good hits made by Booth, Bentley, Murnan, O'Rourke and McCarton enabled them to score, three runs, all earned against superb fielding, Meyerle making his fine play at right field by a difficult running fly catch, and a still more difficult foul bound catch. McGeary was severely injured in the fifth innings by being hit in the face by a foul ball, but after a few minutes he pluckily resumed the position, in which he has no superior. An error by Fields in the fourth innings prevented the Athletics from being blanked, and as Mack and McGeary perpetrated fine one base hits, and O'Rourke made three very wild throws to second base, the consequence was that two unearned runs were scored. In the last four innings, so sharp was the fielding of the Athletics that only one run was scored by the Mansfields, and that one run was the result of slow handling of the ball and poor judgment of Mack and Fisler—these excusable errors, however, being the only ones credited to the Athletics. The Athletics in the last four innings added 13 runs to their score, although had the chances offered by Fields, Bentley and Brainard been accepted, only 3 runs would have been scored. Meyerle made a splendid three-base hit in the last innings, and Tipper made three brilliant running catches at left field, besides assisting to put out Fisler at home by a fine throw from left field. The final result was a creditable victory for the Athletics by a score of 17 to 6. The batting and fielding of Anson, Fisler and Meyerle were the most noticeable features of the Athletic general good play, Tipper carrying off the fielding honors for the Mansfields by his magnificent left fielding. The score:—

ATHLETIC.	R.	In.	P.O.	A.	MANSFIELD.	R.	In.	P.O.	A.
Cuthbert, l f	3	1	0	0	Booth, l f	1	0	3	0
McBride, p	1	1	2	3	Brainard, 2d b	0	0	3	3
Meyerle, r f	2	2	4	0	Bentley, p	0	0	1	2
Malone, 1st b	3	1	7	0	Murnan, 1st b	0	1	10	0
Fisler, 3d b	3	1	5	5	Fields, 3d b	0	0	1	1
Treacy, c f	3	1	2	0	Tipper, l f	0	0	7	1
Anson, 3d b	3	4	3	3	O'Rourke, c	1	3	4	1
Mack, s s	2	1	1	3	Allen, s s	0	1	1	3
McGeary, c	1	2	3	1	McCarton, c f	0	0	1	0
Totals	17	17	27	15	Totals	4	9	27	9

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Athletic	0	2	0	2	0	3	2	1	6—17
Mansfield	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	3—6

Runs earned—Athletic, 5; Mansfield, 3. Umpire—Mr. Fred. Erby, of the Chicago Club. First base by errors—Athletic, 8; Mansfield, 2. Time of game—2 hours and 15 minutes.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF KENTUCKY.

The Eckford and Fall City clubs played on Tuesday, 30th ult., the second game of the series for the championship of Kentucky, on the Union grounds, at Louisville. The Eckfords are a junior nine, all fair players; the Fall City Club is composed principally of the old Eagle and Kentucky nines. The game was spirited throughout, the latter team showing considerable improvement, and succeeded in defeating the eleven runs to one in favor of the Fall City nine, who were, from the start, the favorites at very long odds. After the close of the second innings the Eckfords began to take the measure of their opponents' pitching, and this, with excellent play in the out-field, at length led them to a well earned victo y. The score:—

ECKFORD.	R.	FALL CITY.	R.
Weaber, l f	2	Richardson, c	1
Troxler, r f	1	Smith, s s	3
Rushbrook, p	1	Johnston, p	4
Vogt, s s	2	Crooks, r f	0
Boro, 1st b	1	McDonald, 3d b	2
Pfeiffer, 1st b	3	Burk, l f	2
Dearing, 3d b	4	Mawsir, 1st b	2
Raible, c f	5	Wright, 3d b	1
Cobbel, 3d b	2	Dylor, c f	0
Total	27	Total	20

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Eckford	1	0	6	9	1	0	2	5	5—27
Fall City	0	5	1	2	1	0	1	4	0—30

Umpire—B. Speed, Fall City. Time of game—2 hours and 45 minutes.

BOSTON vs. ATLANTIC.

The following is the score of the sixth game of the championship series played at Boston, Aug. 3d, between these clubs:—

Boston.	R.	In.	P.O.	A.	Atlantic.	R.	In.	P.O.	A.
G. Wright, s s	0	3	1	3	Remsen, c f	0	0	4	0
Barnes, 2d b	2	4	2	3	Burdock, s s	0	0	0	3
Leonard, l f	2	3	3	0	Barlow, c	0	0	5	0
Deihlman, 1st b	0	2	9	0	Dehlman, 1st b	0	0	11	0
Spalding, p	0	1	0	5	Ferguson, 3d b	0	1	2	3
Gould, 1st b	0	1	11	0	Britt, p	0	1	1	2
Schafer, 3d b	0	1	1	2	O'Rourke, c	0	1	3	2
Rogers, r f	1	1	1	0	Thake, l f	0	0	0	0
H. Wright, c f	1	2	1	0	Brown, r f	0	0	1	0
Totals	6	11	27	13	Totals	0	3	27	15

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Runs Scored.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Boston	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	2—8
Atlantic	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0—1
Runs Earned.									
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0
Atlantic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0

First base by errors—Boston, 6 times; Atlantic, 2 times. Double plays—Boston, 1. Barnes and Gould. Umpire—Mr. Demerest, of the Palisade Club. Time of game—1 hour and 25 minutes.

OLYMPIC vs. PUTNAM.

A game took place at Troy, N. Y., on Tuesday, July 30th, between the Olympic, of South Troy, and the Putnam, of Troy. It was close and exciting till the seventh innings, when the Olympics, by good batting, added nine runs to their score, which completely demoralized the Putnams, who found Driscoll's pitching difficult to bat. The following is the score:—

OLYMPIC.	R.	In.	P.O.	A.	PUTNAM.	R.	In.	P.O.	A.
Wilson, 2d b	3	1	2	3	Noxon, 1st b	1	2	12	0
Burns, c f	3	1	0	0	O'Brien, r f	1	1	1	0
Driscoll, p	4	1	1	0	Doyle, 2d b	0	0	4	0
Doscher, s s	1	1	3	1	Lenway, p	0	1	3	1
Murray, r f	1	1	1	0	King, l f	3	2	0	0
Curtin, 1st b	4	1	11	0	Boardman, c f	1	1	1	0
Barnes, l f	3	1	1	0	Bonker, s s	0	0	2	2
Woods, 3d b	3	2	4	3	Ham, 3d b	0	0	0	0
Mack, c	3	1	4	3	Murphy, c	0	0	0	1
Totals	20	13	27	15	Totals	10	7	27	15

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Olympic	3	2	4	0	0	0	9	2	1—20
Putnam	0	0	4	0	4	2	0	0	0—10

Umpire—Mr. McMahon, of Olympic Club.

DRAMATIC vs. STARS.

These clubs played a return game on July 30th, on the Champion grounds, Jersey City, N. J., the Dramatic winning again by the score given:—

DRAMATIC	R.	STAR.	R.
Moore, 1st b	4	Laycter, c f	3
Lynch, c	3	G. Green, s s	3
McDermott, 2d b	3	Morgan, 2d b	3
Beach, s s	3	Openshaw, 1st b	0
Fallon, 3d b	1	Clews, l f	0
Griffin, c f	2	Green, c	1
McQuade, r f	3	Lamb, r f	1
Vill, l f	1	Reynolds, p	0
Gallager, p	0	Beaks, 3d b	0
Total	21	Total	9

Innings.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Dramatic	0	3	7	2	9	3	1	4	2—21
Star	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—9

Umpire—Mr. Cascie, Silver Star B. B. C.

SHORT STOPS.—The Dramatic nine vanquished the Chathams, at Jersey City, N. J., on Aug. 2d; score, 33 to 2. ——— The third game of a series was played at Baltimore, Md., on July 31st, between the Independents and Amateurs, the latter suffering defeat; score, 36 to 7. ——— In a game between the Atlantic and Patapsco clubs, contested at Baltimore, Md., on July 25th, the former scored 15 to 7. ——— The Putnams, of Troy, N. Y., were waxed by the Excelsiors, of Albany, on the 23d ult.; score, 21 to 10. ——— The Wm. Kinsely & Co. nine scooped in the Eldridge, Dunham & Co. team, both of this city, on July 27th, the figures being 49 to 12. The former now claim the title of champions of all games in the vicinity composed of employés of the packing house, but a single game in two seasons, and that when opposed to a nine mainly picked from various amateur clubs, while none of their players belong to any other organization. ——— The Alerts, of Providence, R. I., invaded the premises of the Atlantics, of Orange, on the 30th ult., and were warmed to the tune of 38 to 33. ——— The Fearless, of Monongahela City, Pa., defeated the Red Stockings, of Brownsville, on July 30th; score, 39 to 27. ——— The Red Stockings were awarded the championship belt of Washington, Fayette, Green and Westmoreland counties, at the tournament in California, Pa., on the 4th of July. ——— The Keystones, of Fayette, Pa., were defeated by the Red Jackets, of Monongahela City, on July 27th, the figures standing at 31 to 21. ——— On Aug. 1st the Unas walked away from the Tremonts, of Boston, the totals standing 15 to 7. ——— The Arlington Club, of Waverly, Md., was beaten by the Granges, at Towsontown, on the 3d inst.; score, 22 to 8. ——— At Boston Highlands, Mass., on the 1st, the Stars got away with the Atlantics, counting up 32 against 22. ——— In a game between the Olympic, Jr., and Tecumseh, of Baltimore, Md., on the 3d inst., the former scored 15 to 7. ——— The fifth game between the R. F. Loes and Island Cities, of Galveston, Texas, for the championship of that city, was played on July 28th, the Loes winning by a score of 35 to 17. ——— The Irvington, of Waverly, Md., was beaten by the Granges, at Towsontown, on the 3d inst.; score, 22 to 8. ——— At Boston Highlands, Mass., on the 1st, the Stars got away with the Atlantics, counting up 32 against 22. ——— In a game between the Olympic, Jr., and Tecumseh, of Baltimore, Md., on the 3d inst., the former scored 15 to 7. ——— The fifth game between the R. F. Loes and Island Cities, of Galveston, Texas, for the championship of that city, was played on July 28th, the Loes winning by a score of 35 to 17. ——— The Irvington, of Waverly, Md., was beaten by the Granges, at Towsontown, on the 3d inst.; score, 22 to 8. ——— In Luzerne county, the Eurekas, of Scranton went over and beat 'em by a score of 44 to 9—which was bad for the Irvings. ——— The Mutuals, of Bowersville, Ill., met a picked nine on July 27th, and lamented them in the following style: The Bowersville nine proved too strong for the Chalmers, at Brooklyn, on the 3d inst., when they scored 14 to 6; and on the following day they beat the Athletics of the Bridge, 21 to 12. ——— The Boston Kickers, of Boston Highlands, at Bridgewater, Mass., on the 3d inst.; score, 11 to 10. ——— The Wm. Kinsely and Co. team had to cry a go to the Townsend and Wade nine on the 3d inst., at Prospect Park, Brooklyn; score, 38 to 11. ——— On the same day and at the same place the Keystones waxed the Dauntless to the tune of 19 to 16. ——— A game was contested at Hoboken, N. J., on the 3d, between nines from the Olympic Base Club and the Young Men's Social Club, of Jersey City, the former winning by a score of 43 to 14.

CLEVELAND STILL LIVES.—We are authorized to state that the Forest City Base Ball Club, of Cleveland, O. have re-organized and hereafter will be conducted by the active members of the club. It has been reported that they had disbanded, but the statements are without foundation. They will play the Boston next.

We have received letters addressed to the Amity and Quaker Clubs.

MAPLE LEAF, OF GUELPH, C. W.—This crack Canadian club will pay a visit to the states on Aug. 19th, and expect to play the following games:—12th inst., Baltimore; 14th, Athletic, at Philadelphia; 15th, Mutual, at New York; 17th, Chipper, at Utica, N. Y.

THE ATHLETICS waxed Roth in Philadelphia on July 29th by a score of 40 to 6.

THE RING.

THE APPROACHING BATTLE FOR THE HEAVY-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

Within a week subsequent to the date of our present number falls the day upon which those old antagonists, Jim Mace and Ned O'Baldwin, have agreed to decide, by a contest conducted in accordance with the rules governing the original code which has the best right to be considered king pin among the pugilistic fraternity in America—and in England, too, for that matter, for the land where once the P. R. was a pet institution, carefully fostered, has for years past had to worship at a feeble shrine of any special brilliancy. When this match was first made people looked upon it with distrust, in consequence of the unsatisfactory character of several similar events which had previously taken place, and in which one of the principals had been concerned; and, judging from the apathy manifested by the general public at this late day—the eve of the battle, as it were—the lack of faith has not yet been supplanted by a feeling of confidence in the honesty of each man's intentions, at least in the minds of the great majority of those who take cognizance of such events. While giving due consideration to the arguments advanced by this army of skeptics, however, and keeping in full view the occurrences of the past, we must say that up to the present time there has occurred nothing which can justly be regarded as furnishing good grounds for doubting that this match was made in good faith, and that it is the purpose of each principal to strive honestly to carry out the provisions of the articles and thereby set at rest a question long agitated. Neither has wasted the time requisite for such a course of training as will conduce to thoroughly fit him for an encounter of this description with an accomplished, powerful, determined and experienced antagonist; but each has labored hard, and evidently with great determination, to bring himself into such a state of perfection, physically and otherwise, as will enable him to withstand the ordeal in store and tend to produce a favorable consummation. The stake money is in the keeping of a man who will not submit to trifling, nor wink at unfair practices, and upon whom any attempt at intimidation would be lost. He expressly stated when, upon the earnest solicitation of both parties, he accepted the often unpleasant position of final stakeholder, that if the men did not fight he would not return the money, but would transfer it to charitable institutions; and when he says fight he means fight, and no make believe business. This both O'Baldwin and Mace well know, so that there's no inducement for them to think of doing anything off the level on that score, and anything which one or the other, or both, could gain pecuniarily from any other source by acting unsquarely, would be more than counterbalanced by the incalculable injury another fiasco would do to the gritty party or parties. Both are too shrewd to lose sight of this fact, and being men who depend upon the reputation they have gained as pugilists for their livelihood, it is not reasonable to suppose that, after the lessons taught by the past, they will do anything calculated to weaken their hold upon the good opinion of the people at large. Besides all this, an old grudge—dating from the period when they were matched in England, and of the genuineness of which there can be no question—between them, and the satisfaction which it would personally give each to administer a sound thrashing to his hated rival would be inestimably great; added to which, both are well aware that the victory of one over the other would immeasurably increase the fame of the conqueror. And not only would the victor in a hard-fought battle, decided "dead on its merits," reap a rich reward in a pecuniary sense, but the loser would also make a handsome profit, whereas, if it bears the impress of fraud or collusion, both will be dead cocks in the pit. In view of these facts, therefore, it is proper that credit should be given the principals for intending to do that which is honorable until the contrary is proven. Should the result be different from that which present appearances would seem to indicate, our readers need not be told that the CLIPPER will be the first to cast the mantle of obloquy upon the shoulders of him to whom it may belong, and hold the offender up to justly-merited public scorn and disgrace. Mort. Killacky, representative and backer of O'Baldwin arrived in the metropolis, from Philadelphia, on the morning of the 3d inst., and, in company with Johnny Dwyer, of Brooklyn, drove out to see Mace and notify him of the locality chosen for the battle-ground. Of course it would be impolitic to mention the whereabouts of the same, let it suffice to know that in its selection due care has been exercised, and proper precautions taken to prevent magisterial interference. A report having been circulated that the ring is to be pitched near Fredericksburg, Va., and that the excursionists would go by the way of Washington, D. C., the authorities of those places are considerably exercised over the matter, and manifest a disposition to interpose the strong arm of the law to prevent the carrying out of these belligerent designs. It remains to be seen whether or not there is any foundation for this scare. We are informed by Mr. Killacky that the giant is in extremely fine fettle now, and will be able to fight like a half-starved tiger on the day; he says his whole soul is in this match, and he has done a large amount of severe work most willingly, feeling that he has very much at stake in the issue, while his confidence is so great that it leads him to think that he won't have so hard a task to win as some people imagine. He remains at the Dexter House, West Philadelphia, where he has been visited by numbers of those who want to see him carry the day. Being extraordinarily clever with his hands and quick upon his legs for a big man, and possessing such advantages over Mace as he does in youth, height, length of reach and weight, his friends certainly have more cause than their opponents to hope for success. Jim shifted his quarters from the Belmont to Thompson's Pavilion Hotel, Highlands, N. J., early last week, where he will remain until within a few days of the fixture. A strict regimen and a systematic course of exercise, including plenty of tough work, has produced its usual beneficial effect in his case, and he is to-day a far different appearing man than when the match was made—his eye sparkles and his cheek glows with the ruddy hue of health, while his flesh looks hard enough to strike as leather, and the muscle shows in huge lunches beneath the tightly drawn skin. He repeats now what he stated when the match was first entered into—that this shall be his last fight, and having staked his all upon the turn of the card on August 15th, he is determined to fight as he never before fought (the incentive never having been so great) to make a win of it. He does not hold O'Baldwin too cheap, but says in a quiet sort of way, full of meaning, that he'll show some of them that, even if he is getting up in years, there's "life in the old dog yet."

CHAMPIONSHIP OF LIGHT WEIGHTS.

Not since the memorable matches between Billy Edwards and the Baltimore Phenomenon has any event in which members of the light weight division have been engaged assumed the same prominence, or created as much interest, as the match entered into a few weeks ago by Edwards and George Seddons' unknown. Billy's name and performances in the squared circle are familiar to sporting men throughout the land, from Maine to the Pacific slope, and he is very well thought of by the general public, not only on account of his undeniable ability as an exponent of the noble art, either with or without the gloves, but for his gentlemanly deportment and inoffensive character in private life. He has never yet suffered defeat, but has cleverly won two battles, and succeeded in making a draw of his third encounter, after fighting over two hours, during nearly all of which time one of his hands was nearly, if not quite, useless, owing to an injury sustained in the second round. Though his career as a pugilist has been brief, his record is excellent, showing him to be a real good "un—skilful, resolute, quick to action, a tremendously hard hitter, and not lacking in courage, as was conclusively proved by his fight with Collins. Who the man is who will be pitted against him on the 4th of September is a problem which gives much concern to ring-goers in all parts of the country. His name has not yet positively transpired, and they are in a quandary as to the proper course to pursue in indulging their penchant for betting upon the result, naturally desiring to see their way clearly before making any investments. Of course it is well known that Edwards' opponent will be either Baz Mullins or Arthur Chambers, but this knowledge is not sufficient, as they do not contrast equally favorable with Billy; in other words, while one is considered by some as likely to prove a better man than Edwards, the other is regarded as inferior. This question should be settled without further delay. In drawing up the articles of agreement, a clause was inserted that Seddons should name his man on July 24th, the object of said stipulation being to prevent Billy being placed at a disadvantage, as he would be if compelled to train against two or more men. It was proper that the unknown should have been named on the day mentioned, either to Edwards, his representative or the temporary stakeholder, in order that the name could be then and there inserted in the articles. George called at our office upon that date, and failing to meet the Edwards party (whose presence was not requisite) he went away without naming any one. That he did this through a misunderstanding of the demands (implied, though not expressly stated in writing,) of the clause alluded to is probable, though he may still have been actuated by a desire to secure whatever advantage he could from what he may consider a defect in the drawing up of the protocol. That the course adopted by him, however—naming his man to some outsider—does not meet the requirements of the articles by which they voluntarily bound themselves, is certain, and any attempt at sharp practice can only do the opposite of good. Edwards, who has the right on his side, demands that Seddons name his unknown at once, that he may know who it is he is to do battle with, and in order that no element may run the same chances as himself of a breakdown in training, or other adverse occurrence between now and the day of milling. He asks only that which is just, and George will do well to notify him, personally or through a representative, at once. Edwards changed his base of operations from Fordham to Highlands, N. J., where he has taken up his abode at Thompson's Pavilion Hotel, which looks much more healthy, and in every way preferable to that where he was previously quartered. He even now looks finely, and it won't be for the want of careful training, cheerfully done, if he is not in good fix on the day upon which he makes his fourth appearance inside the ropes. The superb condition into which he has previously been brought by his present experienced tutor, however, is a guarantee that all will be well upon this occasion. The final deposit, $500 from each side, must be posted on August 24th, when a final stakeholder must also be selected and choice of ground tossed for.

Since the foregoing was in type we have been waited upon by Seddons, accompanied by Chambers and Mullins, and by his request the name of the former (Chambers) was inserted in the articles, thus making everything all O. K. George says that Arthur was the man of his choice all the time, and thinks Baz is the best match for Billy in regard to weight, he does not consider it wise to match him to fight any one so soon after his arrival in the country; but if anybody desires to try him on in the course of two or three months, all that is necessary is for them to signify the same and they can get a show at him. Chambers is in order for hard labor, having had his head clipped and sandpapered, his moustache "erased," and his appearance indicates that he has already got rid of considerable superfluous flesh. He will be trained by his old opponent, "Mullins," and the pair can be seen every evening, after performing their daily routine of work, at Arthur's hostelrie, No. 366 Market street, Newark, N. J.

TOVEE'S ANNIVERSARY.—On the 30th of July, Wm. Tovee, then a smart young wood sawyer, who first saw daylight in Fleet street, London, three score and ten years ago, commenced his landing from the old country for the forty-first time, annually, by a re-union with a trio of Britain's gladiators, viz: Jem Mace, Dooney Harris and Billy Edwards, meeting them by chance (the usual way), as usual from Fordham to Tom Taylor's, Greenville, N. J. In his own empirical language:—"There was four champions hall at one time—the heavy-weight, middle-weight, light-weight and champion of hold men. I'm hall of 'em." The Division street ex-furniture broker was full of spirits (exuberant ones, not rum), and talked and acted fight with more than usual gusto. The day after, the old M. C. chastised an unruly and animally rough at the corner of Division street and Boerum avenue, Brooklyn, who insulted him, Tovee being almost old enough to be his great-grandfather. We should advise all such characters to give Tovee a wide berth, for if they come within range of "that terrible right," it will strike them. Tovee is the oldest pugilist in America, if not in the world, barring Jem Ward.

NED HAGGERTY'S turn to take a "bun" came around at Seddons and Chambers' saloon on the evening of July 27th, and the boys turned out tolerably strong to do him honor and add to his exchequer. The boxing was fair throughout, while the mesh between Patsy Lawson and George Seddons, and Haggerty and Johnny Grady (wind-up) were notably good, especially the former, in which George, though much less in stature than his long opponent, had decidedly the upper hand and performed exceedingly well indeed. The others who set-to were Bill Chambers and Pat Kerrigan, Pete Rooks and Morrison, Tom Moore and Bill Chambers, Jones and Prince, Paddy Burns and Lawson, Kerrigan and Slater, Eddy and Bill Chambers, James and Karle. Uncle Tovee was master of ceremonies.

GEORGE MCCARTY, one of our cleverest featherweights, was the receiver of currency at Pat. Kelly's sparring hall, 37 Front street, on July 26th, when the following bokers put up their hands:—Jim Smith and Murphy, Patsy Reed and Johnny Saunders, Sullivan and Churchill, Brennan and Eldridge, Seymour and John Murphy, McCarty and Mike Coburn. The latter was a really fine exhibition of artistic skill. Pat McGowan, the popular young balladist, also sang several sentimental songs well. Tovee, M. C.

ALDERMAN WM. DWYER, of the second ward, has recently opened a neatly fitted-up wine store on the corner of Main and Water streets, Brooklyn, one block from Catharine ferry. It will be the headquarters of that colossal knight of the fives, Johnny Dwyer, the Alderman's big brother, and representative of Ned O'Baldwin in his match with Mace.

TOMMY KELLY AND TED TIMONY'S 114 pound match, for $200 a side, which is to take place in the British provinces, at a spot chosen by Kelly, on Thursday, Aug. 29th, goes on all right, the deposits having been posted with regularity and the principals been in close training, under competent monitors, for some time past.

YOUNG PRINCE is down for a benefit at Seddons & Chambers' Arbor, 10 West Houston street, on the evening of Saturday, August 10th, and as he's a very obliging young fellow, he ought to be well assisted. The wind-up will be between him and George Seddons.

PROF. FRED. CORBIN, who has been teaching the fistic art for several months past at Hendek Falls, N. Y., was tendered a benefit by his pupils at Wood's Hall on July 27th. The wind-up was between the beneficiary and Mike Ford.

CHARLEY GALLAGHER, we are informed, died some time since in Florida, where he had gone for the benefit of his health, and subsequently engaged in business. Can any one give us the date and particulars concerning his death?

WE HAVE LETTERS for Joe Coburn, Tim Collins, Billy Edwards and Bill McClellan.

PIGEON FLYING.—A match of one hundred miles, for $20, from Semley station, on the South Western railway, Eng., between Mr. Sparrow's old bird, Blue Gown, and Mr. Paine's blue, Silly Billy, was brought to a conclusion on July 19th, the former winning in 4 hours 6 minutes and 48 seconds. Silly Billy's time was 4.24.30, the wind blowing against the birds and the weather being very thick.

AQUATICS.

THE YACHTS METEOR AND BELLA sailed their one thousand dollar match on the 31 inst., over a course from a stakeboat off Bay Ridge, L. I., to and around buoy No. 8, off Sandy Hook point and back, a distance of twenty miles in all. The Meteor is owned by Mr. A. C. Rush, and the Bella by Mr. N. M. Derryea. The former was sailed by Capt. Gus. Ellsworth, and the latter by Capt. D. Sandford. The Bella passed the home-stakeboat 2½ minutes ahead of the Meteor, but the owner of the latter entered a protest, claiming that the Bella had not sailed the race according to agreement, failing to turn buoy No. 8. The judges had reserved their decision, and it had not been made known prior to our going to press.

DEALEY AND ENGELHARDT.—A match has resulted from the challenge issued by Dick Dealey, of the Gulicks, to George Engelhardt, of the Seawanaka club, they having signed articles last week to row three miles, in sholls, over the course of the Hudson Amateur Rowing Association, at Pleasant Valley, N. J., on Aug. 28th, for a prize valued at $250. This match has given rise to much more than ordinary interest among the amateur oarsmen of this vicinity, and the result will be eagerly looked forward to, and considered as conclusively settling the mooted point as to which is the superior boat-sailer, which the friends of Dealey claim the race on the Schuylkill failed to do.

ON FOURTH LAKE, Madison, Wis., a yacht race took place on the 1st, inst., in which five first-class yachts, and one second-class, were entered, including the Meadota, Reckless, Lady of the Lake, Marion, Dauntless, Jessa, Idler and Happy Hope. The water was rough, and a stake-boat shifted from her moorings, so that none of the yachts made the proper course, consequently the judges declared the race off for the first-class, while the Happy Hope was awarded a silver cup as the winner of the second-class, she being the only one that made the correct course.

JOHN BIGLIN informs us that he will accept, on behalf of George Engelhardt, the challenge issued by James O'Neil, provided the former proves victorious in the coming race with Dealey. Robt. Lindsay proposes to do likewise on behalf of Dick, upon similar conditions, so that a match with O'Neil seems certain to grow out of this affair, no matter which way it may end. Time can be saved by entering into an agreement at once, so that the race can take place shortly after that between George and Dick.

MR. SANCTON, of this city, received a dispatch from the Paris crew, of St. John, N. B., on the 31 inst., requesting information concerning "the Potomac regatta." An answer was returned to the effect that the project had been abandoned. The telegram was suggested by a report current at St. John, that a very rich prize was offered for four-oared crews at such a prospective affair, and that the Taylor-Winship (champion) crew, of England, intended taking part therein. The St. Johners desired the same.

J. W. BROWNING AND WM. SPEAR, of the Gulicks, tried their relative skill and muscle in a three-mile race off the Elysian Fields, Hoboken, N. J., on Aug. 3d; the water being very lumpy, and a high wind prevailing. Spear had the call in the betting, but the knowing ones were out of their reckoning, for Browning led from start to finish, proving victor in a most excellent race by half a length. His time was 27:00.

BOATING MATTERS AT PITTSBURGH and vicinity are very lively this season. A number of events of local interest have already taken place, and on the 3d inst. the following challenges were issued for three mile pulls, for stakes ranging from $100 to $250 a side:—Nick Doyle, of the Leather, Adam Wendling to Walby Campbell, and Joe Brown to Adam Showers. Bill Capps has also accepted a challenge issued by Dan Jordan.

THE GRAMERCY BOAT CLUB has brought suit against the owners of the steamboat Rattler, for renting the boat when she was not licensed to carry passengers. It will be recollected that she was stopped at Hurlem bridge, on the day of the race between the Gramercys and Neptunes, and her passengers compelled to debark, thereby causing material loss to the club. Damages are placed at $1,000.

JAMES HOPPING AND R. WILKINSON pulled a three-miler for a couple of centuries, at Bay Ridge, Long Island, on Aug. 3d. Wilkinson got off with the lead, but was soon overtaken by Hopping, who led by several lengths at the turning stake, and eventually won a good race in 30:30, four seconds ahead of his opponent. J. Jeffreys was referee, and Shaffer and Holmes acted as judges.

JAMES MCGRATH AND SAM'L KIMBERLY

TENNESSEE NELL.

BY E. WALLACE JONES.

My Nellie wa'n't much to brag on
In the way of beauty, you know,
But you see I owned the critter,
And knew she had blood to go.
Her mane was uneven and scatterin',
And one shoulder a leetle high,
But, Lord, you'd know she had spirit
If you just took a look at her eye!

Her color wa'n't none too pretty,
A kind of a palish roan,
And she hadn't any surplus flesh—
All muscle and sinew and bone.
I saw the knowin' ones wink and smile
When I entered her for the run,
But I whispered low to Nell, "Old gal,
The fun hasn't yet begun!"

The bloods were talking loudly
And betting on favorite horses—
Some bragging about their winnings,
Some cussin' about their losses;
Made right smart fun of Nellie,
And asked me what she would do;
I whispered to her—"We'll show them
When the runnin' race is through."

I allers talked to the critter—
She seemed like human to me—
For she was all that I had left
Of my home in old Tennessee.
Well, finally we got started,
Three others beside my Nell;
But, Lord, I was sure I'd beat 'em,
For I know'd her mettle well.

"Three best in five; now, Nellie,
Steady, my gal, and true;"
Then they started fair and even
When the judges' bugle blew.
The first two heats were practice,
For them I did not care,
But the third and fourth I let her out,
And people began to stare.

I sponged her mouth and stroked her neck,
And talked to her pleasant and low;
When the bugle sounded I said to her,
"Now, Tennessee Nellie, go!"
I tell you she looked just like she flew,
She knew I meant what I said;
And—maybe you won't believe it—
She came out three lengths ahead.

I know'd she wasn't a beauty,
But I thought a heap of my mare;
I wanted to show them she could run,
For the purse I did not care.
They didn't make no more fun, you bet,
Nor ask me what she could do;
I know'd they'd be settled on that point
When the runnin' race was through!

Sheridan House, Connersville, Ind.

THE STAGE.

FROM THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY FOR AUGUST.

Now that the old Puritanical notions about the immorality and wickedness of all sorts of theatrical representations have but few advocates, and that the theatre is regarded generally as after all an innocent and often instructive amusement, we shall indulge in a little, perhaps incoherent, chit chat about some of the imperfections and abuses in our theatres, glad to be able to say at the outset that the shortcomings of our stage are by far oftener sins against art than against morality.

One of the most striking faults in our dramatic entertainments is bad elocution. From those actors who do the leading business in our best stock companies down to the blood-and-thunder villains and persecuted saints at our lowest variety theatres, our actors one and all seem possessed with an invincible determination to throw heavy stress upon the wrong part of almost every sentence. We remember to have heard last winter one of our very best stock actors, a gentleman of great talent, refined perceptions, and a conscientious, painstaking artist, say:—"If I had but SERVED my God with HALF the zeal I SERVED my king, he" (very small "he") "would not," etc. of course such a style as Edwin Forrest, Edwin Booth, William Warren, Joseph Jefferson, and a few others, do not come within this category, but we think that among the stock companies in Boston and New York the actors with whom this is not a besetting fault can be counted on the fingers of one hand. There is also a surprising unanimity in the *manner* in which they will ignore all the important words and accentuate the unimportant ones. Nine actors out of ten will, in a given passage, make precisely the same mistakes. This point to the existence of some more definite cause than the mere want of any high degree of artistic culture among them, and we are inclined to rank this distressing eccentricity of emphasis with many of the old stage traditions which are gradually losing their hold upon the general style of acting, such as the old stage walk, the conventional manner of leaving the stage, and some other theatrical peculiarities which still cling to stage-land with partially artificially clinging. Our actors of genteel comedy are happily almost entirely free from many of these traditional absurdities, and when they are called upon to act in tragedy, as they usually are some few times in the winter, on benefit nights or during the engagement of some famous tragic star, it is refreshing to notice how much more naturally and humanly they deport themselves than those actors who have been brought up to the tragic or sensational business. We remember noticing last winter, when an eminent tragedian was playing an engagement at one of our leading comedy theatres, how carefully most of the stock actors got through their parts, but there was one heroic individual who had but recently become a member of the company, having just left a theatre where the tragic muse was more exclusively cultivated, who had only an unimportant part, but it was edifying to see how he strutted about in his buskins, with what a tyrannical scowl and what gnashing and grinding of teeth he would bid a friend welcome, and with what pent-up emotions of bitter hatred and thwarted vengence he glared at the phlegmatic attendant of whom he ordered a goblet of wine. "Any one could see that he was an actor," as our friend Partridge said. But this gasping and grinding of teeth, these acrobatic contortions in walking, are now happily rare, though the posturing and *attitudinizing* are often the right word in the right place, as sometimes to be a thing which actors as yet cannot and will not do. This false accentuation is no doubt a remnant of the old traditional singsong which at one time was considered to be the indispensable accompaniment to blank verse in the heroic drama, and which once excited such violent partisanship on the stage of the Comedie Francaise in Paris. This metrical declamation, which is not without its merits in the mouth of an accomplished artist, becomes uncomfortably ludicrous when not well done; and when it is transplanted into the prose drama, we get something that is neither fish, flesh, fowl, nor good red herring.

Another point that we often notice with dismay in our theatres is the utter disregard to the characteristic dressing of women on the stage. We have by dint of long experience got accustomed to seeing Rosina, a young lady, as is to be supposed, rather delicately brought up by a jealous guardian, prepared to run away with Almaviva in a thunder-storm, with a small black lace shawl for her only outer garment, and shod in the prettiest possible little paper-soled slippers without any overshoes. We are no longer shocked at seeing Amina enter the count's chamber in a becomingly voluminous night dress, which seems to have been ingeniously fashioned so as to be both a comfort and an ornament to the fair wearer under almost any other circumstances than in going to bed. Rosina was probably in a great hurry to run away, and young ladies under the influence of that violent passion known as first love are, especially in fiction, proverbially indifferent to such trifles as wet feet or colds in the head; Amina has had several songs and a fatiguing duet in the first act, and being besides in a troubled state of mind, may be excused for going to bed and practising somnambulism in a costume at once resembling a *peignoir* and a ball dress. Besides, he who objects to nonsense in any form in an Italian opera will get himself into a pretty peck of troubles if he rides his hobby too hard. But when we see gallant knights of the sixteenth or seventeenth century, glittering in armor, gold braid and spangles, on the most intimate and respectful terms with their damsels and stately matrons habited according to fashions ranging chronologically from about the year 1865 to the last Paris mode-plates, we confess to a certain sense of incongruity that makes us eye the manager's announcements of "gorgeous *mise en scene*, new and appropriate costumes" with feelings closely akin to distrust. When the action of the drama is carried on in the musical or mythological styles, this defect is, to a certain extent, remedied, and the tunicopallium makes a becoming and graceful costume even to our modern eyes, although at times it may dangerously suggest the "statty of a lady hin bathin'," so much admired in the Vatican by an illustrious cockney. But neither the stola nor the tunicopallium (there exists some confusion in our theatre wardrobes between the Roman and the Grecian garment) could counteract the modernizing effect of the portentious waterfall that we have seen appended to Vergilia's head. We have said that in the classical dramas the dresses of our women were generally better chosen and often fully as becoming as in those plays where the scene is laid in mediæval times. Strangely enough, the reverse is the case with the men. Most of the noble Romans on our stage, when enveloped in the toga, bear a painful resemblance to those shivering, white-sheeted figures that one may see crawling up the beach toward the bathing houses early in the morning the season at Boulogne-sur-mer. When our classical actor lays aside the toga in the supposed privacy of his own apartment, and displays his stalwart form in all the glory of a tunic and pink fleshings, with a general appearance of having forgotten to put on his collar, then, perhaps from the force of association, perhaps from some inherant quality in the modern physique and bearing that does not lend dignity to the antique costume, we must confess to finding him incomplete without some such accompaniment as a flying (*rapeze*, a balancing-pole or other instrument of acrobatic torture. In fact, his resemblance to a circus-rider is too intense to be overlooked. We have never yet seen a Roman soldier on the stage with his sword at his *right* side, though all the authorities unite in telling us that it was so worn in ancient times.

The *mise en scene* at our theatres is in general very poor, though there are a few worthy exceptions. We have often pitied poor Don Giovanni at his solitary banquet in the last act, and admired the stoical indifference or the polite assumption of relish with which he would wipe his mustache after each tiny mouthful of cold tongue, and each sip of aerated toast-water or cider. It has sometimes seemed almost unnatural that Donna Elvira not to have accepted his jovial invitation (poor Don! jovial even over cold tongue and toast-water) *se ti piace, mangia con me*, if only for the sake of companionship. But we have seen cases where most ludicrous situations have been brought about simply by the most imprudently culpable neglect of stage directions. We have seen the sextett, "*Sola, Sola*," in "Don Giovanni," sung in what was to all appearance a baronial hall of rather cheerful aspect, instead of the *bujoloon* mentioned in the text. The audience must have been at a loss to understand how the various couples happened to meet so inopportunely in a room that evidently belonged to none of them, unless, indeed, it were the public parlor of a hotel. The apotheosis of persecuted heroines in the fifth act is a scenic effect that seems to be still the despair of stage mechanists, as well as the terror of any but the most confidingly imaginative audience. But as play writers often insist upon the souls of their virtuous heroines going visibly to heaven, and as human mechanism is necessarily imperfect, we suppose that the beatified spirits must continue, as of yore, to wing their jerky flight toward the realms of bliss in what might be called a sort of aereal stage-walk. But we do not see why the asperities of even good clouds should necessitate the wearing of high-heeled boots by the attendant angels.

One of the most lamentable shortcomings of our stage is the poorness of our *ballet*. Most of our solo dancers deserve rather the name of contortionists than of dancers; and we are sorry to see that our public seems to appreciate what is difficult, rather than what is graceful. Good dancing rises to the dignity of a fine art, and in the hands (or feet) of real artists, like Mademoiselle Montaubi or Mademoiselle Betty Rigl, it becomes an æsthetic entertainment of a very high order; but nowadays the acrobatic school of dancing has well nigh put all grace to the wall, and we see little else than strained, unnatural postures, and what appears to be a desire to show how far the tibial and peronian muscles may be stretched without snapping. Very few of our dancers have even a respectable amount of *ballon*, that India-rubber-like quality that gives the dancer the appearance of dancing two or three feet above the level of the stage, and which is one of the most difficult parts of the art to acquire. As for our *corps de ballet*, they are one and all beneath criticism.—(The author of the above, it ought in justice to him be said, has reference in his strictures, we opine, to the Boston stage only, or else he has seen very few dancers.—ED. CLIP.)

UNCLE SCHNEIDER'S COUNTRY LETTERS.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

BY MARK QUENCHER.

AVAY OUD, Yuly der end, 1872sd.

MY DEAR "GLIEBER."—In dis coundry bizzness I vas hafe any qvandidys of oxberiences—some fordunade, und some unfordunade, und some neider. Von day I dinkd I vood like to make some milk oud py der gow. So I shlinged a din-bail my arm ofer, und dribbed ub gally to der gow, singing, "Oh! I vas a merry leedle ruadic lass," und all dot kinds of songs vat der leedle coundry girls sing on der dheadre. Der reason I vent on like dot vas so I cood fool dot gow, und make id dink dot id vas der girl vas milkin id.

I heard dot, like shadin mit der ice, und ridin a verlousypede, milkin gows didn'd coom nadural ad firsd, neider to der milker nor to der gow—oxbecially to der gow. So I dinked der beasdest vay to done vood peen to "put der airs on," und acd so as to make dot gow dink I knowed all boud dot kind of dings. So I abbroached myself gareleasly, dhrowed der bail under der gow, said 'Whoa, Bill!" sdoobed myself doun to gommence, slabbed ids behind legs to hist ub, und said—

My dear Glibber, you nuad pelief me vhen I say dot id vas dad shlab on der legs vat done me der whole bizzness. Dot gow didn'd vas vish to been misdook for a horses, und so vhen I shlabbed ids behindt-legs, und vispered "Whoa, Bill," dot gow—veil, 'uf id vas my shdomack or my peforeheadt vat got dot kick of dot gow's hoof, inshdead of my shins, Schneider vood now hafe been a dings of der bast, dot's a boedical vay of saying I vood not hafe "keebed de ghosd" any longer, bud vood hafe gifed id quick nb.

So mudch for gows und milk. Und now for someding elsely.

Veil, von day lasd veek I valked py der orchardts, und scoobed in all dhose dhrees vat vas in der beaches-line. Now uf dhere "is anoder ding more dhan von" vat I like, dot dings vas beaches. Beaches vas much eadable to me, oxcebd der bids, vich vas a foolish dings to put in a beaches, und vat I don'd see dhey vas any goot use for oxcebd for der poys to make beach-bids ond of."

Veil, I valked me under der beach-drees, und I made ub dot I vood hafe some of dhem, so dhey vas'n't any use mind, and dhere vasn'd nopody arounds. So, aldo I nefer made a climb py a dree my life pefore, I soon drawed me off my coad, und gommenced dot occendric excidement for a fad feller, to climb ond ub a dree vat vas so fat like der doose.

Afder I made aboud dain shdrokes ub I begin to see vat a pickles vas coom py me. I knowed I coodend gone ub to der pranches to got dot beaches, und I vas got fraid to drob down on eound I vood coom hard enough for mine py der crounds. So I vas shdicked dhere chooed der same oxaodly like uf a "Chon, der killer of der Giants," vas caught me by his righd hand arm, und afder soaking me in a big barrel of "Shaulding's all Brebared Glues," had dhen dhrown me against dot dhree ker-bunk, und dhere, half vay ub, I shdicked. (I know dot id dook a goot vhile to dold you choosd how id vas I looked, bud I like to been bardicular as der feller said vhen he shdicd his dirty hands indo der bowl of soub to *got oud der fies*—und I dink I've sugceeded in ledding you imachine choosd how vas id—vad!)

Vell, dhere I shdicked, qvide unaple to gone ub, und qvide unvilling to drob down. I looked ub ad der putiful beaches vat hanged dhere so sassy, und I vistied "Dhow art so near, bud yed so far." How long I remained myself in dis shade of "Adam qui-near" I don'd remember, bud I know dot all of a suddenness I heard a sound vich made my plood run a race mid idself. Dot vas about der roughest barks of a dog vat I nefer heard, und righd afder I durned my head off und opserved der chendleman himself in der berson of der mosd blackest, mosd safage, mosd ugly, mosd eferyding dog, vat you vood'nd pelief.

Uf dot dog cood shboke he vood hafe said, to chudge py his looks as he coomed for dot dree:—"Oh, you fat rascal, vat a fine big lumb of fat you cood shbare midoud some drubble."

I said before dot I knew I coodend got ub. I now found id oud dot vas a lie, a goot big lie, doo, pecause dot dog hadn'd more as shdarded for me, py chinks, pefore I vas boosd myself ub dot dree in der mosd oxiding vay, und vhen der dog arrifed I vas sidding gomfordably on von branches, making my fingers py my nose py him.

In dis vay I vas safed—'anoder unfortunade vas reclaimed!' (I don'd know uf dat's righd), und I didn'd suffer oxcebd dot I had to vaid boud dwo or dhree hours for dot dog to vake ub und valk avay, pecause he pud himself ad der bottom of der dhree for a snooze vhen he seened he coodn'd caught me, und vhen he vaked ub he forgot me! Bud ennerhow, I had blaindy beaches dot day, you bet yourself.

I vas glad, however, dot all dese dings voodend make me der consdidudions, und I vill ask me doctor boud dot. Undil dhen, adieu mit yourself. Yours, for dhruly,

UNCLE SCHNEIDER.

LOVERS' LEAP.

A PICTURESQUE SPOT AND ITS STORY.

On the whole line of the Mississippi river there is not, perhaps, any grander scenery than that about Lansing, La. A short distance below the town, on the west side of the river, stands a noble bluff, shooting up almost perpendicularly to the height of four hundred feet. The base of the bluff, which is only a few rods from the water's edge, is fronted by a sloping beach, thick set with rough, jagged rocks, among which a few stunted trees and shrubs grow. The summit of the bluff falls off *gracefully into a broad sweep of land*, covered in summer with a luxuriant growth of grass and flowers, while a brink of the steep ends abruptly in a broad, naked rock, from which a charming view of the river, both above and below, can be had.

Upon this rock the Indians used to meet to recount their deeds of war, engage in their wild dances, and view the face of nature so pleasantly spread out in broad beauty below. Here, long ago, a band belonging to the tribe of the Winnebagos had camped for the night. Among their number was En-ow-kaw-kaw, a beautiful girl, the daughter of Waw-ma-naw-kaw-kaw, the medicine man of the tribe. There were two young men in the company, Waw-kaw-chaw-ku-kaw, coming thunder, and Rob-kaw, the great hunter. They were both great favorites with the father of that maiden, and he had often burned incense to the Great Spirit for victory to the one, and practised countless incantations that the other might return safe and successful from the hunt. The regard which the father had for each held him back from either a word or a sign that could in any way decide the contest in the maiden's breast as to which of the two she should choose.

The slightest indication from him would have settled the case, but he would not do it. Thus matters stood on the night when the band stood about the camp fire on the broad rock overlooking the great river. The rivals, sitting in silent gloom at the fire, eyed each other apart, and though they never talked together on the subject of their jealousy, they instinctively understood the whole difficulty. In full view, where the unsteady firelight fell warmest, sat the lover, En-ow-kaw-kaw, on a mat, weaving a necklace of beads. She looked prettier than ever before in the eyes of the dusky wooers. They glanced at each other. At last one of them spoke a word which the other construed into a menace, when they both sprang to their feet, and in the first moment of rage challenged each other to a test of courage for the hand of the young woman—a test no less hazardous than that of leaping over the broad rock to the level below. In an instant they flung away their blankets, and, each eager to be first, ran to the edge and leaped off at once into the pale moonlight and the sleep of death.

The men went down the winding path, and on the side of the bluff found stretched out the mangled bodies of the foolish lovers on the green grass, and while they stood in dismal sorrow around them, a wild, weird strain was heard from the rock above. En-ow-kaw-kaw was chanting the death requiem of her maiden's stylish little girl, and there to end her life. Her father, the medicine man, knew the meaning of the song, and, with a step as light and swift as a tiger's, he ascended the path, stole up behind her, seized her in his arms, and bore her away. In the morning the bodies were interred with all the ancestral rights of Indian burial, the band went gloomily away, and since that time no camp fire has been lighted upon the rock; but the view from the height is as grand as ever, and men have agreed that the place shall always be known by the name of the Lovers' Leap.

MRS. SIDDONS AND THE EMPRESS JOSEPHINE.

"Recollections of Society," by Lady Clementina Davies, a sister of the Earl of Perth, have just been published in London. Her ladyship, in her long life, has seen a great deal of the English and the French aristocracy, and she gives the world many details of their weddings, divorces and deaths. Some of her recollections are piquant. She was once at Edinburgh with Catalani, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Siddons, John Kemble and Henry Siddons. Catalani's voice was still splendid, and almost every Sunday Lady Davies used to meet her at the house of Lord Fingall. When she sang in church the crowd was so great that it was not only difficult to find standing room, but many persons invariably fainted. In private society this great cantatrice was much liked for her agreeable manners. When Lady Davies first saw Mrs. Siddons, the latter was acting in the "Gamester."

"Spell-bound, I watched her in every movement, and the only thing real to me seemed the agonizing drama which was proceeding on the stage, and when at last the gamester was carried in apparently lifeless, and Mrs. Siddons as Mrs. Beverley, in an attitude of terror of which no words can convey an idea, fell down on her prostrate husband, then it for the beating of his heart, and at last, with one piercing shriek, exclaimed: 'He is dead!' I screamed too. Afterwards I saw Mrs. Siddons as Lady Macbeth. This part she of course acted splendidly, but it did not carry me away so much as her performance in the 'Gamester' had done, for during it I did not, to the same extent, lose sight of her identity.

"As an illustration of my meaning, I may mention that when Mrs. Siddons, as Lady Macbeth, came on the stage, in self horror at the crime which had been perpetrated, and looking—as though in the midst of some hideous dream—at her hands, said: 'All the perfumes of Arabia cannot sweeten this little hand,' she then and there held up her hands, and they were not *little* hands at all, but very large ones, though well shaped and white. And yet the part of Lady Macbeth was that by which this great actress most wished to be remembered, as may be surmised from the following anecdote:—'One day, after Mrs. Siddons' retirement from the stage, a lady happened to call upon her, and found her pacing slowly up and down her garden, with an open book in her hand. The lady apologised for intruding in what evidently was a moment of anxious thought in study; but Mrs. Siddons, with a sort of sad smile, said:—'No, you only find me with a book which by this time you would think I ought to know by heart; it is "Macbeth." I thought that I did know my part in it well, but alas! I have just now, *too late*, found out that I have *missed a point*.'"

Lady Clementina saw the Empress Josephine two years before the time when she unexpectedly breathed the last sigh of her troubled and eventful life. She was then at Malmaison. Though no longer young, Josephine was still pre-eminently graceful, and her pliant, though not tall figure, showed to advantage in a white dress, magnificently embroidered in bright colors that assorted well with her dark hair, worn low in the forehead, and with the fine eyes of deep violet hue by which her expressive face was illumined. The room was hung with crimson cloth and gold, and every *fauteuil* and sofa in it was ornamented with large ivory balls—a very effective style of ornament.

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SCHOOL'S IN.

INTERLOCUTOR.—Well, Bones, I see you're all right this evening.

BONES.—Yes, I'm all right, just like dat las' pair ob shoes I got—dey was all right, when one ob 'em ought'n been left.

TRIANGLE.—I guess dere was no danger of any bein' left after you got your foot in 'em, Bonesey, hay?

BONES.—Is dat a personal, me friend and brudder?

TRIANGLE.—Oh, no, dat's troof, if it taint I hope to lib a hundred years or more.

BONES.—I 'spect your 'pology, and de revels can pursued.

INT.—That's richt, too; no hard feelings between friends, you know. And now, boys, since you all appear to have had a good dinner, and seem in such a happy frame of mind, suppose I put you through a course of geographical spouts. Look sharp, now, What's the best state for dogs to live in?

BONES.—Why de *Bay* state, ob coarse; any dog know dat.

INT.—Correct. Next—What is the best state for men of small means?

TAMBO.—I got it:—A *Bolaidor* state.

INT.—Next—what is the best for our gallant oarsmen?

TRIAN.—Little Rhody (row-dy).

INT.—What the best state for our street fighters?

BASSO.—*Old Row-dy*, I suppose.

INT.—Which the best for fast drivers?

TENOR.—Road Island.

INT.—Which is best for monarchs?

BONES.—*Empire* state, bekase it has its Queen's, King's and Dutchess counties, and likewise a Prince's Bay.

INT.—Which is best for occasional tobers?

TRIAN.—De *Loud ob Steady Habits*.

INT.—For Free Masons?

TENOR.—The *Keystone*.

INT.—For deer hunters?

BASSO.—The *Buck-eye*.

INT.—For fowl breeders!

TRIAN.—*Blue Hen's Chicken*.

INT.—For drunkards?

TAMBO.—*Pukes*.

INT.—For spongers?

BONES.—Sponge-ers.

INT.—For bachelors in general? I'll answer that myself:—The *Married* state. And now, having got through so well, we'll have a little song, boys:—

Farewell, Mother.

RESPECTFULLY DEDICATED TO MISS ELLA NEFLIN,

BY PHIL. H. MOWREY.

Farewell mother, I must leave you—
Do not weep when I am gone—
I must cross o'er death's dark river,
And join the angels' happy song;
When the spring time comes, dear mother,
And sweet flowers blush and bloom,
I'll lie in yon shady valley
And smile the roses' sweet perfume.
Chorus—When the spring time comes, dear mother,
And the flowers bloom in the dell,
My spirit will be with the angels,
There forevermore to dwell.

When I've past from earth, dear mother,
Give my playthings all away
To poor little crippled Johnny,
In yon cot across the way.
Tell him I must go, dear mother,
To heaven, and leave him here alone,
But I'll watch and wait his coming
Till his father calls him home.
Chorus—When the spring time, etc.

Kiss me, mother, ere I leave you,
Soon I'll reach the golden shore,
And my form will then be hidden
From thy sight forevermore.
Hark! I hear sweet strains of music
Floating o'er me, soft and low,
Angel voices bid me welcome,
Farewell, mother, I must go.
Chorus—When the spring time, etc.

THE TOM THUMB SHOW IN 1855.

Mr. O. R. Morse, of Skowhegan, Me., sends us the following combination bill:—

TWO DISTINCT COMPANIES.
MENAGERIE AND CIRCUS.
S. B. HOWES, PROPRIETOR.
with the celebrated original
GEN'L TOM THUMB!
WILL EXHIBIT AT BLOOMFIELD AUG. 21st, 1855.

In consequence of the refusal of the Selectmen of Skowhegan to grant license, the company will exhibit on the Bloomfield side. Admission 25 cts.; Children under 8 years of age, half price. No money will be taken at the doors.

THE MENAGERIE DEPARTMENT

consists of a beautiful and rare collection of wild beasts and birds from all parts of the world.

The two Feriorming Elephants will be introduced by their keeper, and go through many sagacious performances.

Mr. Parker, the celebrated tamer of wild beasts will enter the den of lions and other animals, in the presence of the audience, at 3 o'clock, previous to the commencement of the equestrian performances. During the exhibition the visitor will have an opportunity of beholding the real, genuine, original

GENERAL TOM THUMB,

the celebrated and world-renowned man in miniature, who is twenty-two years of age, weighs only 15 lbs., and is but 28 inches high!

EQUESTRIAN ENTERTAINMENT.

Separate and distinct from the Zoological and Tom Thumb exhibitions, are the following brilliant Circus Performances, to which the visitors of this two Menagerie, all those who choose, may attend without additional charge. The Circus Troupe, it will be seen, contains some of the most prominent riders, vaulters, gymnasts and comic talent in the country, and the entertainments given are novel, diversified and brilliant, accompanied by a magnificent band of music.

The performances will commence with the great two and four horse rein act, by Mr. S. P. Stickney.

Signor Felix Carlo, known in Europe and in the United States as the "Italian Trick Clown," with his talented juvenile artists, in a pleasing diversity of Grotesque Gymnastics, in which these admired performers stand pr-eminent.

Miss Sally Stickney, the highly accomplished youthful American equestrian will perform her great Model act of Female Equitation, without saddle or bridle.

Daring and skillful feats of balancing by Master Carlo, forming and mounting a pyramid of glass bottles, taking a crystal promenade upon decanters, and firing pistols while balanced upon his head on the neck of a bottle, at the top of the pyramid.

Undaunted and artistic display of Juvenile Horsemanship called Young America, by Master R. Stickney.

BOBBY WILLIAMS, CLOWN.

Great Menage Act, by Miss Sally Stickney, and her noble and beautifully trained horse Gem.

Superb feats and graces in Posturing and Grouping, by Signor Felix Carlo and son.

Mr. W. Armstrong will exhibit his celebrated acts of Somersault and Scene Riding.

In addition to the above great features in the circle and Menagerie, will be performed each evening, the gorgeous Pantomime entitled

"THE MISER OF BAGDAD,"

which will be produced in a style of magnificence unsurpassed by any travelling exhibition, the managers having spared neither pains or expense in making this the ne plus ultra of performances in the circle. This piece will be produced with all the splendors of the Arena, as performed at the principal theatres in the city of New York and Philadelphia, where it had a successful run of upwards 150 nights. It need only be seen to be appreciated.

ELBERT BAXTER, Agent.

BOSTON JUBILEE.

BANJO SOLO.

Dedicated to CHARLEY RHOADES, *San Francisco, Cal., by* CHARLEY HOWE, *Accomodating, Soloist and Comedian.*

I'm dandy Sam, the banjo man, at music we're no scribblers,
I went all the way from Rackensack to the Boston Jubilee,
And when I got there it made me stare to hear five thousand fiddles
Playing Gilmore's opera of "Shoo Fly, Let Me Be."

Chorus—Bass drums and old bums flying in all directions,
Trombones and bass horns were out upon the agree;
There was Oboes from New Jersey, and Bazoons from Texas,
And a duet by two cannons, at the Boston Jubilee.

When I got inside the building, I tell you 'twas enormous—
Flute pies were for sale at fifteen cents, and lemonade too,
The band struck up. I fell ka-chuck in the middle of a dorg house;
The piccolos began to screech, the dinner horns broke loose.

Chorus—Jim jam went the band, just like a big explosion.
I fell into a bug bass horn, which blew me up a tree;
They played a tune called "Old Dog Tray," a regular barking medley,
With five hundred dogs to join the chorus, at the Boston Jubilee.

No lovers of good music should have missed this great creation,
For Gilmore will gil no more—he's "Up in a Balloon;"
Come all ye gawks and jolly corks and join this recreation,
And the Thomas cats will lend their aid to keep the fiddles all in tune.

Chorus—Ole Bull set on a stool tickling up his fiddle,
Levy, with a glass in his eye, played the "Ham Fat Man" in F;
The Jubilee did finish with a symphony called the deluge,
And drowned all the musicians, for effect, at the Boston Jubilee.

A GLORIOUS BILL FOR A GOOD PURPOSE.

Mr. James Pilgrim contributes the following copy of a Boston bill, where the late E. F. Keach, our lamented friend Adah Isaacs Menken, and Mr. Pilgrim lent their services, for a beneficial purpose:—

BOSTON ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
WEDNESDAY EVENING, JULY 30th, 1862.
TESTIMONIAL BENEFIT TO THE
WIDOW AND THE LATE HENRY W. FENNO.

The free gift of the house has been liberally voted by the directors, and the generosity of the officials, both before and behind the curtain, is gratefully acknowledged by the projectors of the benefit. In view of the number of volunteers, it was manifestly impossible to embrace all in one evening's bill, but their kindness deserves and receives the sincere gratitude of the committee.

The performance of the evening will commence with the elegant vaudeville, by Chas. Dance,

THE VICTOR VANQUISHED.

Charles XII, of Sweden.....Mr. Barry
Baron de Gorta.....Mr. G. G. Spear
(By permission of Mr. Wyseman Marshall.)
Ikla, his niece.....Mrs. Barry
Officer.....Mr. R. Joy | Servant.....Mr. Dasey

An allusive address, written for the occasion, by Benj. F. Shillaber, Esq., will be recited by Mr. W. H. Smith.

In continuation, the sparkling Parisian petite comedy,

DELICATE GROUND.

Or, LIBERTY, EQUALITY AND FRATERNITY.

Citizen Sangfroid.....Mr. E. F. Keach

His first appearance at this theatre—he breaking his own established rule (that no member of the museum company shall appear on another stage) for the benefit of the family, paying a tribute of respect to his deceased friend and former manager.

Alphonse de Grandlier.....Mr. J. A. Smith
Pauline.....Miss Lizzie Emmons

(Her first appearance since her return from western engagements.)

After which, Sterling Coyne's Favorite Bagatelle, the

FAS DE FASCINATION: Or, A COUNTESS FOR AN HOUR.

Katharine Kloper.....)
Lola Montez.....)Miss Adah Isaacs Menken
Countess of Landsfeldt.....)

(Her first appearance at this theatre, she having, in the kindest manner, delayed the nurture from the city for the purpose of generously giving her services on this occasion.)

Michael Browsky.....Mr. W. F. Carter
(Formerly of the Aurora Dramatic Club, and latterly of the New York, Philadelphia and West Indian Theatres, his first appearance as a professional in this, his native city.)

Count Muffenuff.....H. F. Stone	Stiffenbach.....W. D. Crollius
Kybosh!.....J. B. Adams	Grippenhoff.....Mr. Dasey
Sophy Foleham (by permission of Mr. Marshall).....Miss Florence	Ticklebritz.....C. L. Farwell
Mollie Newton	Madame Kybosh!.....Mrs. Nonrse

During the Farce, Grand Pas Seul, from the Ballet of "La Giselle," by Miss Adah Isaacs Menken.

After which, the celebrated Prof. Harrington will give an exhibition of his wonderful powers of Ventriloquism.

To conclude with the very Amusing Farce, written by James Pilgrim, Esq., entitled

THE LIMERICK BOY.

Paddy Miles, his original character.....Mr. James Pilgrim

His first appearance for three years in Boston.

Dr. Coates.....J. B. Adams	Job.....Mr. Dasey
Henry Coates.....C. L. Farwell	Benben.....W. D. Crollius
Mrs. Fidget.....Mrs. Nonrse	Jane.....Mollie Newton

To conclude with a

MELANGE OF MUSIC AND DANCE.

1. Pas de Matelot.....Mr. H. F. Stone
2. Song—"Hurrah for Old New England".....Miss Louise Wilder
3. Pas Comique—Army and Navy.....Mr. G. W. Pike
4. Ballad.....Mrs. H. F. Stone
5. Champion Jig—"Essence of Old Virginny".....Mr. J. E. Taylor

This first appearance for two years.

Stage Director, John Wright. Musical Director, Thos. Comer.

The prices of Admission will be as follows:—Parquet, Parquet Circle and Balcony, 50 cents; Family Circle, 25 cents; Amphitheatre, 15 Cents.

Doors open at 7½. To commence at 8 o'clock.

CHERRY DEARIES.

Double Song and Dance,

BY JOSEPH J. GRANT.

JOHNNIE.—I'm a breddor to my mudder's stylish little gurl,
In de city none as pretty flaunt a jaunty curl.

BONNIE.—I'll acknowledge dat de college whar we learn'd our style
Was de 'umble cot ob Bumble, pa o' dis y'har chile.
Chorus—Hoodah, Johnnie! Hoodah, Bonnie!
Cheery dearies we;
Ebber happy, like our pappy—
Watch all you shall see. (*Live by bunk.*)

JOHNNIE.—Mammie fidgets for her midgets when dey tode too far,
But we're clebber, and we nebber lose our gumption.
Dar!

BONNIE.—Dat ar's nuffin', stop your stuffin' folkses wid yer stuff
Does dey blame us, ignorams? Johnnie, dar's a cuff!
(Cuffs him.)
(*Chorus and break.*)

JOHNNIE.—If we blunder, dat's no wonder, cos we is so gay!
Allus dancin', allus prancin', merry childish play.

BONNIE.—Hark! dere's mammy callin' Sammy, p'raps she want's us, too;
Well paid duty am a beauty, so we knows our cue.
(*Chorus and break.*)

CUPID'S POIBLES, FOLLIES AND FANCIES.

I'LL THINK OF THEE.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

TO MISS BELLE REMICK.

I'll think of thee when rosy hues
Adorn the blushing cheek of morn,
When winds perfumed with fragrant dews
Come through the gently waving corn;
I'll think of thee when zephyr's sigh
Shall softly float from tree to tree,
When calm and mild the summer sky,
I'll think of thee, I'll think of thee.

I'll think of thee when moonbeams pale
Fall o'er a sleeping world at rest,
When stillness reigns o'er hill and vale,
And calm repose in nature's breast;
I'll think of thee when starry skies
Look down on meadow, field and lea,
And nightingale's sweet notes arise,
I'll think of thee, I'll think of thee.

I'll think of thee where gladness dwells,
And life is bright and smiles are free,
When joy within thy bosom swells,
My thoughts shall then revert to thee;
I'll think of thee when sorrow's blight
Shall fade the beauty now I see,
When fate shall take thee from my sight,
I'll think of thee, I'll think of thee.

I'll think of thee in future years,
When age's hand thy brow shall trace,
When memory fondly dwells on smiles and tears,
Are written on thy angel face;
I'll think of thee when those who share
Thy smiles shall false and fickle be,
Thy image in my heart I'll wear,
I'll think of thee, I'll think of thee.

Chicago, July 21st, 1872. H.

A TERRIBLE TRAGEDY.

The Fate of a Faithless Wife—The Fatal End of an Intrigue—Her Husband Saws Her Head Off.

One of the most revolting and bloody murders ever recorded in history, accompanied with circumstances unparalleled, has just been discovered in the south of England. In 1851, James Dalglish, a merchant of the city of London, became acquainted with Miss Josephine Heisham, the daughter of a physician in lucrative practice. A few months after the introduction they were married. Mr. Dalglish was a member of the firm of Raleigh, Dalglish, White & Co., and was considered a wealthy man. Miss Halsham's marriage was considered an advantageous one for her, and she received congratulations on all hands. A constant visitor at her father's house was Chas. Seton, a poor and struggling artist, but a young man possessed of fine, intellectual features. Mr. Dalglish purchased a beautiful villa at Richmond, and handsomely furnished it. He and his wife continued to reside there for about two years. Richmond is about twelve miles from London, and easy of access by railway. Mr. Dalglish would take the cars for the city in the morning, and return home to dinner in the evening.

About seven months after the marriage Mrs. Dalglish gave birth to a very fine child, which circumstance caused remarks of a not too charitable nature; but the matter died away, and Mr. Dalglish, who loved his wife with undying devotion, and had in her the utmost confidence, never exhibited for a moment. But as the child grew, the likeness that existed between the child and Charles Seton was something remarkable. The eyes and the features were evidently his; but that gave no cause of uneasiness to Mr. Dalglish. After four years of conjugal felicity to Mr. Dalglish, and, so far as we are aware, of equal happiness to his wife, it became necessary for him, in consequence of very large outstandings in Australia that his firm was unable to collect, that he should proceed to Melbourne and Sydney, as the firm were temporarily embarrassed for want of remittances. Bidding the wife he so much loved a fond adieu, he departed for Australia, and after visiting Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide, he returned to England after the lapse of two years. Prior to his embarking from Melbourne for Liverpool he addressed a letter to his wife, informing her that he would be in England shortly after the receipt of his letter, by the steamer by which the letter was forwarded (sundered) and the mails were made up. On his arrival in Liverpool he took the express train for London, and arrived at his home at 10 o'clock at night. He was received with open arms by his wife, and kissing her and the child again and again, he believed that he had returned once more to enjoy the society of the wife he so much loved.

Returning home one day earlier than usual, he saw a Hansom cab driving away from his door

TROTTING AT HALL'S TRACK.

A number of trotters gathered at Hall's half-mile track, on the Coney Island road, on the last inst., to witness several advertised trots, the summaries of which appear below:—

HALL'S DRIVING PARK, LONG ISLAND, August 1st, 1872.—Purse, $100, for horses that never beat 2:50; mile heats, best 3 in 5, in harness.

James Campbell entered b m Lady Wheeler	1	1	1
Wilson Johnson entered b m Lily	3	3	3
B. Pellegi entered br m Lily	2	2	dis.
J. V. Carroll entered g g Bay George	dis.		

SAME DAY.—Match, $1,000; mile heats, to road wagons; owners to drive; catch weights.

Stakes entered b g Schutzen Boy	1	2	1
Mr. Clarkson entered g g Pleasure Boy	2	1	2

Time, 3:04½; 3:01; 3:03.

SAME DAY.—Match, $400; mile heats, best 3 in 5.

L. Sammis entered g m Dolly, in harness	1		
J. Sullivan entered g m Dolly, in harness	dis.		

Time, 3:02.

SAME DAY.—Match, $100; mile heats, best 3 in 5.

J. Gildersleeve entered b g Billy King, in harness	1	1	1
E. L. Sammis entered b g Slim Jim, to wagon	2	2	2

Time, 3:04; 3:07½; 3:03.

AUGUST 3D, 1872.—Purse, $1,000, for horses that have never beaten 2:45; mile heats, best three in five, in harness.

C. H. Heard entered g g m Butterfly	3	3	3	3	3
G. Gilbert entered b g No Name	2	2	2	2	2
W. Johnson entered b g Bay George	4	4	4	4	4
J. V. Carroll entered br m Lady Wheeler	1	1	1	1	1
J. Campbell entered b g Lily	dis.				

Time, 2:43½; 2:46; 2:47.

SAME DAY.—Match, $250, play or pay; mile heats, three in five, in harness.

Owner entered b g Abe	1	2	1
M. Rogers entered b g Jim	2	1	2

Time, 3:02; 2:59; 2:56½.

SAME DAY.—Match, $200; two miles and repeat.

T. Jackson entered b g Mystery, in harness	2	1	1
H. Howe entered s g Constitution, to wagon	1	2	2

Time, 5:56; 5:43½; 5:36½.

SAME DAY.—Match, $200; mile heats, three in five, in harness.

Owner entered s g Fanny Fern	2	1	2	3
Owner entered s g Climax	1	2	1	2

Time, 2:58; 2:45; 2:40; 2:39; 2:36.

JEROME PARK AND SARATOGA.

Closing of Stakes for 1873 and 1874.

The recent closing of several stakes at Jerome Park and Saratoga, for the season of 1873 and 1874, affords an opportunity for judging of the progress and prosperity of the American turf by comparison with the previous years. At Jerome Park, the Nursery Stakes for two year olds, for 1873, has closed with 54 entries against 30 in 1872, and 34 in 1871. The Belmont Stakes, for three year olds, one of the richest races for the season, has 82 entries for 1874, against 75 in 1873, 39 in 1872, and 76 in 1871, showing a marked falling off in the popularity of this stake, arising probably from the early period of the season it is run for, many northern trainers not having got their young stock sufficiently forward in condition to take part in the contest. The Ladies' Stake for three year olds, for 1874, has 71 entries against 79 in 1873, and 51 in 1872. The Alabama Stake, for three year old fillies, has 40 entries for 1874, against 41 in 1873, and 32 in 1872. The stock of the best thoroughbred stallions in the country are engaged.

HARRY BASSETT AND KINGFISHER.—A MATCH PROPOSED.—Mr. Belmont's horse Kingfisher, the great son of Lexington and Eltham Lass, by Sir Anthony Taylor's hands, has made such wonderful improvement after being privately tried, that down by the most experienced trainers, was given a trial run over the Saratoga track on the 31st ult., ran two miles in 3:37, with heavy training shoes and 112 lbs. up, ran two miles in 3:36, with heavy training shoes and 112 lbs. up, and good judges pronounced the trial equal to 3:30 on the regular turf. So much impressed was Mr. Belmont with the performance that he declared his willingness to run any amount to be mutually agreed upon. Such a match would create almost as much interest as the Longfellow and Bassett race, and we hope Col. McDaniels is not the person to decline it. The performances of Kingfisher show him to be no unworthy antagonist even for the renowned Harry Bassett, for the two in the Belmont, Travers, Jerome, Annual and Three Year Old Stakes when three years old, and like Bassett, was only beaten by the great western champion, Longfellow. We hope the proposed match will result in these two famous horses coming together during the current season.

DEATH OF BRADSMAN.—This celebrated race horse and thoroughbred sire died on July 4th, at Leybourne Grange, the seat of his owner, Sir Joseph Hawley, of strangulation of the bowels, in his 17th year. He was by Weatherbit, out of the famous Oaks winner Mendicant, and in 1858 he won the "Blue Ribbon of the Turf" at Epsom. But his renown rests on his great merits at the stud. In 1867, Blue Gown, Roslercrucian and Green Sleeve came out, a trio of two year old colts, at one small stable never probably possessed before. Green Sleeve won the Middle Park Plate and Prendergast Stakes; Roslercrucian the Criterion and Troy Stakes at Newmarket; and Blue Gown, at Doncaster, for which he came in first for the Champagne Stakes, being too much overweight, where he was disqualified for his jockey being too much overweight. He was disqualified for his jockey being too much overweight. He was disqualified for his jockey being too much overweight. He subsequently won the Derby, and many other races. Pero Gomez, another of Bradsman's sons, won the Two Thousand Guineas, being beat for the Derby by a head only by Pretender. Most of his stock could stay well, run fast, and carry heavy weight. Mr. Belmont and Mr. Lorillard have just imported some of his colts and fillies into this country.

DEATH OF KENYON.—This well known light-weight jockey died at Southport, Eng., on July 8th, at the age of 23. During the zenith of his career he did great things for the stables that chiefly employed him, and was particularly fortunate at one time in the colors of Lord Westmoreland. He mainly distinguished himself in 1866, 1867 and 1868, in which years his winning mounts amounted to some of the most important handicaps, and steered the victors of many of the principal Plates and Stakes. He rode Green Sleeve when she won the Middle Park Plate, but never won either of the four chief races of the year. Two Thousand, Derby, Oaks, or St. Leger, although he was third on Specimen for the Derby of 1868, and second on Belladrum for the Two Thousand of the following year. Kenyon, who was originally apprenticed to the younger Templeman, became careless about riding when out of his apprenticeship, and the money he had made during his short but very successful career was by no means invested

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LADIES' LIST.

Antonino, Teresa
Arlington, May 3c.
Booth, Josie
Brink, Mrs. E. H.
Barnes, Pauline
Blue, Blanche
Clifton, Emma
Chirski, Alice 3c.
Daly, Rose
De Lore, Emma
Doyle, Minnie
Frost, Miss
Gordon, Belle
Hastings, Hattie
Howard, Victoria
Hayden, Mrs. W. H.
Hamilton, Alice
Hyde, Annie Y.
Howe Sisters
Hyams, Jennie
Hinds, Angie
Hendle, Lizzie
Irma, Mlle.
Jester, Bessie W.
Jerome, Mlle.
Kelsey, Hattie
Lee, Jennie
Leroy, Lizzie
Murrell, Jennie (3)
Mears, Maggie
Nash, Mrs. E. S.
Neville, Emma
Price, Fanny B.
Riddell, Lizie
Richards, Pauline (2)
Raymond, Ida
St. Leon, Katie
Seymour, Mattie
Schott, Angelique (2)
Shelton, Lizzie (2)
Sprague, Addie
St. Leon, Maud
Stanford, Julia
Stanley, Blanche
Tracey, Hetty
Woodruff, Mary
Woodhill, Mrs.
Washburn, Emma
Wren, Ella

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Ahearn, Maurice
Adams, Edwin
Ashley, Steve. W.
Aiken, Albert W.
Atkins, Willie A.
Allyne, E. T. J.
Burton, Clarence
Bloodgood, Harry
Benoit, O.
Bennett, Frank
Bouton, C. H. (2)
Bailey, Fred
Booth, J.
Baker, P. F. (2)
Brooks, Almond
Beal, Miller
Bruce, E. Amory (2)
Backenstose, Ed.
Burgess, Billy
Brady, S. W.
Baker, Pete
Burnett, Jr., J. H.
Barth, J. W.
Bliss, Eugene
Frowne, Edwin
Burton, W. C.
Barnabo, Adolfo S. 10c.
Barr, Geo.
Binns, Fred G.
Brown, Chas.
Bates, Robt. M. 3c.
Barney, Max.
Bishop, Frank 3c.
Carter, Chas.
Courtwright, Billy
Clarke, Jas. W.
Cooke, A. L.
Carter, Otis H.
Craven, J. T.
Cole, W. W. 3c.
Childers, Harry
Clark, Jas.
Connor, Dan
Canfield, Jean
Canfield & Baker
Carlton, Frank
Collins, Billy
Campbell, Johnny
Dunnis, J. F.
Derex, Charley
Dupree, Chas.
De Witt, Thos. H.
Dobson, Thos. F.
Dibolo, Mons. (2)
Davey, Thos. W.
Drew, Frank
Day, Thos. H.
Datallie, Mons.
De Leon, Leon (3)
Edwards, Welsh
Eddy, A.
Elsman, Emil
Epps, Nelson
Edwards, Frank
Fox, Ned
Fish, J. Spencer
Fish & Benson
Fox, Willie (2)
Foley, Tom
Forsberg, Harold S.
Florence, Wm. J.
Freeman, Harry
Faranta, Sig.
Gregory, A. W.
Gibbons, Ned
Graham, Peter
Gaylord, J. B.
Gee, H.
Gibbons, Chas.
Gainey, Andy
Gifford, A. B.
Gilroy, Jas. B.
Howard, Rollin
Hardy, E. F.
Howes, Frank J.
Hayes, G.
Hurlbut, Geo. G.
Haverly, J. H. (2)
Herbert, Fred
Hart, G. (2)
Haschell, D.
Hengler, T. M. (2)
Hanley, T. W.
Herne, J. F.
Harwood, Harry W.
Holston, Ari
Holton, Charley 3c.
Harris, Law W.
Hart, Tony
Hayden, Wm.
Iago, Patrick 20c.
Johnson, Jean
Jones, Jos. H. (2) 20c.
Johnson & Powers
Jefferson, Tommy
Jackson, T. H.
Jackson, Thos. E.
Keen, Jule
Kelley, Jas.
King, Percy
Keeshin, Chas. H.
Leach, Eugene B.
Leopold, Eddie
Lee, F.
Laine, J. H.
Lauri, John 12c.
Lawlor, W. F.
Leopold, G.
Lingard, W. H.
Lee, Simcoe
Leonard, J. A.
Leavitt, J. J.
Lannier, W. M.
Marsden, E.
McCollum, C.
Melville, Walter
McIntosh, Geo. D. (2)
Murray, Geo. W.
Mackay, Hector
McGill, Wm.
Maeder, Fred G.
McGill & Stroud (2)
Mathews Family
Marston, F. W.
Martinez, Eugene (3)
Munro, H.
Mallton, Chas.
Moreland, W. W.
Murphy, Joseph
Morrissey, John
Mills, Johnny
Mitchell, W.
Mayo, Lorenzo (2)20c.
Metchear, W. J.
Morgan, Frank 10c.
Moe, Albert
Menter, A. E.
Meyer, Carl
Manager, Southern Alliance.
Melton, J. V.
Mills, E.
Mayo, Frank
Michell, Billy
Martens, Ferd.
Morris, T.
Mitchell, W. C.
Moorhead, D. W.
Manager, European Combination
Neafie, J. A. J.
Nelson, Robt.
Nix, Albert
Noyes, J. Frank
Norton, Frank H.
North, L. S.
Nourse, Jas. H.
Nichols, C. W.
O'Neil, F. (3).
Owens, Jno. F.
O'Brien & Co. 3c.
O'Lynn, Bryan (c)
Organ, Wm.
Pond, Charlie
Perse, S. D.
Pastor, Frank
Pierson Bros.
Perkins, Fred
Parker, Harry
Peanut Jim
Price, Wally (2)
Purvis, Robt.
Parker, Ned
Roche, Frank
Rowe, John
Robinson, Frank
Rubini, Sig. (2)
Roberts, N. D. (2)
Raymond, Jno. T.
Rivoli, C. 3c.
Robertson & Hall
Rams, P. (2)
Robinson, Prof.
Richards, Geo.
Rice, H. G.
Rogers, Loraine
Richards, Warren 3c.
Raymond, W.
Rivers, Master F.
Ricardo
Rowell, Wm.
Sturges, Chas.
Shay, Charlie
Showles, J. J.
Snow, Ben
Stewart, Billy
Sheridan, Jno. F.
Skiff & Gaylord
Shilbrook, B.
Stevens, Harry R.
Sharpley, Sam
Sherry, Jas. F.
Sweet, O. P.
Sun, Tom W.
Thompson, Geo. W.
Vogel & Sharp
Weichman, Chas.
Wilhelm, Joseph
Worley, Chas. E. (3)
Watson, Geo. W.
Warwick, Melvin R.
Wadsworth, A. J.
White, Archie
Warren, Geo.
Waldron, Danny
White, Charlie H.
West, Ned
Washburn, Willie
Waldron, G. G. (3)
Wagner, Cal
Washburn, E. S.
Wheeler, Ben
Weston, Frank

Introductory Overture.

MONDAY, Aug. 5th, '72.

In the field of amusements, "the clink of hammers closing rivets up gives dreadful note of preparation" for the good time coming. Already some of the more advanced forces have sent out their skirmishers to feel the way before the operations of the day shall be inaugurated. Manager August. Daly has issued his official proclamation, notifying "whom it may concern" that his season at the Grand Opera House will commence on Tuesday, August 27th, when, if a postponement is not heralded, for the balance of August, daily, the box office will be posed to view bu[illegible] table production, and com-*Carrot*," being a purely [illegible] of *supes*, will no doubt prove to [illegible] and season [illegible] Haven south has been [illegible] long in for *Carolinas*, but the [illegible] the movement, say the product of [illegible] can be cut very *small potatoes*; nevertheless in digging for buried treasures to *beet* Grant the members of the lost canoe hope to *root-a-bagger* before they get through, and thereby secure a lasting foothold for greater agricultural pursuits....."One Wife," as seen at the Olympic Theatre, is naughty but nice, and virtuous men flock to the theatre to condemn, by their presence, the presentation of such a vile and immoral play. Exemplary mothers take home wives and families, that they may frown down "One Wife" at least, and thereby save the city from this immoral leprosy; they go night after night, do those good men, hoping, by persistent efforts, to compel Manager Colville to withdraw his contaminating production, and thus preserve the city from the sneers of the London press, and sustain our reputation for virtue and decency; but whether Col. will mind the remains to be seen. Then "One Wife" is a sacrifice offered up as a dying sacrifice Gen. Grant had put his foot down, and forbade her introduction to polite society, instead of going off on another tour, North Carolina would not be where she is now, and the colored man who spoke at the sixth ward Greeley meeting the other evening would not have been deprived of the privilege of drinking with his Irish friends and brothers at the close of the pow wow. This is a painful subject to dwell upon, but the nation is in the throes of a death struggle and our first work must be the destruction of "One Wife" at least, or a thousand if the exigencies of the case demand it. *Anything* to beat Grant .... We have been cautiously advised that a number of dissatisfied dramatic authors and actors have just raised a club, and they hope by its influence to knock some little sense into the noddles of would-be critics and slanderers. This is another blow aimed at the freedom of the press. If Horace Greeley can be induced to cease chopping sticks for a while, the influence of this new organization may be rendered null and void. "Our Jim," on hearing about this thing, says his landlady has made a club house out of her shanty, and every unfortunate boarder who doesn't have the cash to settle up with on Saturday night is clubbed by this precious old toad stood until he is "dead to earth but to memory *dear*." James desires the privilege of composing a few lines in honor of

"THE LATE LAMENTED."

"BY OUR JIM."

This is a world that's dissolv'ed and cruel,
With a stub'ness was than a talentid nuel,
For a man wich livs with a chepe bordin woman,
Is treted just like that he was'nt a human
Being, onless he pays ev'ry weke,
Insted of guttin out of it he trise fur tu seke;
I nu a man ony last Saiterdy nite,
For neglect'n' to rock hoom she kill'd sutrite;
If this heres a nashin of fredum, I'm told—
And that is more preshus nor diminds and gold:
But it's ort a base li. betwixt you and me,
As ye ma have turn-ed, most proberly;
Down with ort wimmen hoom kepes boardin houses
And clubs ori thare borders and with dishwarter souses;
O, perish the da wen our libberty's bartered
For a cup of hot coffee that's bor'n in much warted.
Anuf. Ime a base born churl, I admit,
But mi motto, wen Ime short, is tu git up and git.

Rise of Stones.

.....A son of Rachel, the deceased tragedienne, officiates as cashier of a bank at Marseilles. He is but keeping in his old business, for when at the theatre with his ma, he always took charge of the *checks*.....We have frequently expressed surprise that, during our heated term, the good people down south never once complained of the heat. We could not understand it until last week, when one of our show friends in Georgia wrote to inform us that down there they keep all the thermometers in the *cooler*. This will account for it, and we shall no longer wonder that in Dixie people are cooler than we are here. .....The gentleman who threatens to "break our Dutch snoot" if we "say anthing more agin him," is respectfully notified that we shall risk the destruction of every Dutch snoot about the establishment rather than sacrifice "one jot or tittle" of our independence. The belligerent cammomile is further notified that we shall be out of town next week, but that "our Jim" will continue to write "agin him," and that he will be prepared to assume all risks. Are we understood?.....Here is a curious item, which we find in one of our Boston exchanges:—"The Jubilee building is advertised to let for any proper purpose." From which it is to be inferred that the jubilee gathering was rather improper .....They raise other things than wooden hams, and nutmegs, and men, down East, for in Sudbury, Mass., they have two white squirrels and one white robin. These, combined with the "discoverer of Dr. Livingstone," would make quite an interesting side show..... Broadway is made lively on Sundays by the way funerals cavort along that thoroughfare to the South Ferry. We saw two opposition solemnities dashing down that street yesterday without the slightest regard to the corpses or their respective followers. In fact, the latter seemed to enjoy it, and some of them urged on their drivers like they were running for a ten thousand dollar purse at Long Branch. But there is a recklessness about these Sabbath day races that we do not see on a *regular* race track. Talking about fast funerals, during the last epidemic rites to a lady just interred, an admirer of the deceased remarked that, "for patient resignation the corpse could dance areund any woman living."..... We have great respect for our friends of the sawdust profession, and do all we can to encourage them in their innocent gambols; but their sins of omission are not to be passed over with impunity. What can you think of a people who would let a flourishing town mourn because it has never been visited by a circus? Yet this is the present condition of an unfortunate village in Kentucky. Horace Greeley could prevent this agony were he but to heed the cries of a long suffering constituency instead of climbing trees and things at Chappaqua. .....While thousands of dollars are offered as prizes for horses, the pitiful sum of eighteen dollars is all that is promised for the handsomest infant at the South Wisconsin Fair. Which goes to show that cattle raising pays better in this country. It is with pain that we handle this admission, but the little George we cannot put a no.....Speaking of the marriage of Nilsson, would it be impolite to say of one of her best operas that it's like an over-strained criticism, because its forced?.....We do not like to find fault with public performers, yet we are compelled to do so occasionally. Now, there's the Martens, who were at the Olympic last season; clever people as they may be in their private relations, nevertheless in their public performances they are anything but skilful, for they are always sure to *mew-till-late*.....In "King Carrot," at the Grand Opera House, among the other curiosities to be introduced will be a *bare* dance.....We purpose making a short epigram commemorative of the "industry of all nations," and of the inventive genius of the American people in particular:—

RAPID CHANGES.

SAYS Tom, there's nothing new beneath the sun;
Once they spun wool and wove door mats,
But now one Tony Pastor "weaves" a tale.

And a girl named Pontabolean is booming hats.

.....Talking of cobblers, they have a tavern in London so a late arrival informs us—kept by a man called Daily. This place of "entertainment for man and beast" has for a sign a huge bass drum, so this man says, and this man says, and there are specimens of military rule, the man alleges, most dearly at the *tap of the drum*. He also charges, without the slightest sign of provocation, that "little games" are quietly carried on there, as this man says, and therefore the place may not be inappropriately termed a *Snare* Drum. We have very little confidence in the man who told us this yarn, because we have every reason to believe him a cent, leastwise a Snare Drum-mer, himself.....We have a great satisfaction in notifying the *honest* portion of our readers that Lydia Thompson will stop "*Robin Hood*" after this week. This news is as true as *steel*.....Although more suitable for the Christmas holiday season, yet we are assured that they are doing a right lively trade up at Wood's Museum with "Broken Toys."..... The curtain will ring up on "The Bells," for the first time at Booth's Theatre on Monday evening, 19th, so we have been told. .....Miss Rosina Vokes, one of the Vokes folks, has not had much chance heretofore to show her abilities, and this week she will have less, for the management, with very questionable judgment, *we* think, is going to present her in a piece in which she is "Good for Nothing,".....Performers of the "mellow drama" once had easy times in these parts—nothing to do but fight broadsword combats, disappear through traps, fire pistols and die in spasms. Now, it is said, they must be skilful gymnasts, also, and it is related that the late Bill Wood was the first to add the improvement. He had the part of "Bill Jones; or, the Murdered Sailor," to perform, one night. In this masterpiece the spectre of Bill has to make his entrance "a gildin' over the waves," which is effected by a piece of inclined wood work dipping from the sea towards the audience, known as the "gilding groove." Bill" in due time appeared at the upper end of the incline, but he was wet when he left land as well as without, whiskey-logged as well as water-logged, and so, instead of coming down slowly and mysteriously, as a decent spectre would, he descended with a rush—reeling with both arms spread like the sails of a full-rigged clipper ship, and bolting before the audience, threw a complete somersault, and came up on all fours at the footlights.

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MISS CHARLOTTE THOMPSON commenced an engagement at the Olympic Theatre on Monday evening, July 29th, when was produced, for the first time, a drama entitled "One Wife," it being an adaptation of "*Le Fruit Defendu*," by Alexander Dumas *fils*. It was acted with the following cast:—

Mrs. Vandyke.....C. Thompson	Mr. Vandyke...Mr. L. R. Shewell
Mrs. Hoffman...Miss Lizzie Price	Mr. Hoffman...Mr. T. Hamilton
Mrs. Vanzandt...Madame Ponisi	Mr. De Winter.....A. D. Bradley
Mrs. Worth...Miss Jennie Clifford	Mr. Adams...Mr. Augustus Fitou
Mrs. Don Pialt.....Nellie Jones	Victor.....Mr. Vining Bowers
Mrs. De Pyester..E. V. Proudfoot	Mr. Worth...Mr. F. A. Tannehill
Rosy.....Miss Nina Varian	Mr. Harland.....Mr. L. S. Steele

The adapter, Mr. Cazaurun, has taken some liberties with the author's language, and has altered the *denouement* of the plot. The design of the drama is to depict the life of a pure, loving, trusting wife, whose husband proves recreant to his marriage vow. Hitherto dramatic authors have only portrayed the infidelity of woman in such plays as "Fazio," "Camille," "East Lynne," etc., and in depicting the other side of the case both the author and his adapter have dealt with the subject in a very candid manner. Assignations are made in the presence of the audience, and the subject matter of conversation, ever considered indelicate in refined society, is discussed in language broad, and at times deeply significant. "Like skilful surgeons who cut beyond the wound to make the cure complete," the rottenness which exists in society is dragged forth and publicly exhibited upon the stage. Whether such a course is beneficial to public morality may be questionable, but that the public will crowd the theatre where such plays are performed is patent. The broad expressions of the play are bandied from lip to lip upon the streets, and in places of public resort, often exaggerated, and so become self advertising. Public curiosity is excited and can only be satiated by witnessing what has been so pruriently described. The coffers of the treasury are filled, the audiences are pleased, the press applauds, and yet the public go in crowds to witness its performance. We doubt not, but for engagements previously made which will prevent its continuance, "One Wife" would run to large business for a long time. "Divorce," when first produced at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, was so severely condemned that it was the intention of the manager to withdraw it after its first week's performance, but the public thought otherwise, and it enjoyed a long and profitable run. We append the story of the play as printed upon the house programmes of the theatre:—

The first act plunges us at once into the subject matter of the play. Mrs. Vandyke is a young wife but one year married to a man whom she has enriched, whom she adores, and who devotes her; advised by an accompanied letter, she has her husband watched and acquires complete proof of his infidelity. Mr. Vandyke, whom she believed in Sing Sing village, at his brother's villa, had in reality registered under a false name and remained till the following morning; the wronged wife, indignant and angered, sends for her mother and lawyer and asks for advice; the mother, a Mrs. Vanzandt, a prosaic, prudent lady, treats her daughter's complaint lightly, tries to console her with trite commonplaces, and retires after treating the husband's crime as a mere peccadillo, a trifle better not noticed. The lawyer's solicitudes fall after dowry of four millions. He cautions her that her husband has drawn two millions of that dowry, and urges her to watch what use he makes of it. "My husband is the head of our little community, sir," answers the wife, with the dignity of a Roman matron, "and he does it, in my eyes, always well done; my fortune is his, and he disposes of it, sir, as he pleases." The lawyer (De Winter) bows resignedly, and the two millions are obtained by the unfaithful husband. The hundred millions are obtained by the wife for the first time since her knowledge of his unworthiness. At sight of him the wife's resolution weakens, "I know all," she says, "what do you intend to do with me?" You can't live with Vandyke, at first, astounded, vallies and then himself out of it. He tells Mrs. Vandyke that his *liaison* with Mrs. Hoffman was one that existed before his marriage; that all love between them had long age ceased, and that, even at the Yonkers ball, he only to get and give back the old letters that had passed between them. The poor wife holds out no longer; she believes and forgives, nestles in his arms, bathes him, as it were, in the atmosphere of her purity, wifely love and reveals, by her worship of him, that to her, her husband is the representative of religion on earth. Dumas has drawn the scene admirably from first to last, shading and lighting most exquisitely the struggle between the wounded pride and returning love of the poor woman. The unworthy object of so much affection profits by it only to obtain from his wife a promise to receive, that same evening, the very woman with whom he has sinned, and who had been invited ere his treachery and love had been detected. He then tears himself away, as if afraid that, were he to remain, he would repent of his falsehood. He is scarce out of sight when reason and judgment revolt against the sacrifice demanded. The scene is brilliant, but now sway after which her heart rebounds from the shock, dims with tears, the smiling lip throbs with agony as, falling into a seat, the poor wife exclaims:—"But if it was only to recover their letters that he came, why select the night, the whole night, the bed room!—Oh! what a miserable coward I am!" And the curtain drops here, slowly, on the act. In the second act, the evening comes, and with it several guests, who relieve the intensity of the plot by some French *badinage* peculiar to what are used to in America, on the stage. The frail beauty, Mrs. Hoffman, comes, and the still doubting but still loving wife receives her according to promise. This Mrs. Hoffman enters confident, haughty, and, almost at once, under the influence of Mr. Vandyke, exchanges notes with the latter's husband. At almost the same moment she makes for that night an assignation with a Mr. Adams, a sort of a modern Roderigo, and here is the hub of the piece. It reveals to the full the character of Mrs. Hoffman, a titled Polish courtezan married to Hoffman in Paris—a woman entirely heartless and with no passion save for gold and diamonds, which she says "are my sister." She has married her husband, and makes an arrangement to elope on the following day with Mr. Vandyke. The two millions which Vandyke obtained from the lawyer were to defray the expenses of the elopement, and the lawyer are on the watch. The lawyer has bribed the valet of Vandyke, and this valet detects and reveals the exchange of notes and their contents. One of these is handed by the mother to the injured wife. She glances at it, rushes to the adulteress, and in a whisper tells her: "Go, go, or I turn you out before them all." "Be it so," replies the shameless Pole, "be it so." And, leaning on the arm of Adams, she sweeps from the crowded drawing-room as proudly as she entered. "Where's my wife?" asks Hoffman, returning to the room. "I turned her out." "You turned her out?" "Yes, I turned her out, because I do not choose to receive in my house a married woman who comes there to meet her lover." "My wife has a lover!" thunders the infuriated husband. "Find it for yourself," replies the yet merciful wife, fearing still for her husband. And on the exit of the maddened Hoffman and the new struggle in the breast of the outraged Mrs. Vandyke the curtain falls. We now reach the third and last act. The wife has sought air in the garden fronting her house, where the lawyer and the mother join her. The lawyer tells her her husband is determined to elope with that woman on the ball night. "Is this infamy!" asks the wife. "Nothing." "What will become of me?" "You can obtain a separation after he has gone." "And you can come and live with me." says the mother. "And the all the law and the family can do for me—something to eat and somewhere to sleep. This is all men have found to protect their mothers, sisters, wives and daughters in." "And this all the law and the family can do for me—something to eat and somewhere to sleep. This is all men have found to protect their mothers, sisters, wives and daughters in." As he goes she sees Hoffman in the lodge. "I am all resolved to be—his judge—and executioner." Before effort to stop him; he [illegible] says he will go. "Then go!" As he is about to go, her love and mercy conquer again, and she tells him Hoffman is on the watch. Dumas has left on yonder threshold. In the meantime Adams is walking up and down outside the villa walls, waiting for the lighted window at Hoffman's to call him to the assignation. The light appears, he enters the garden as Vandyke rushes from the house; Hoffman fires at Adams, misses; Adams turns, sees Vandyke rushing towards him wildly, attributes the shot to him, fires at him, and Vandyke receives the ball, staggers, and falls dead at the feet of his injured wife. The windows and doors of both houses are thronged by startled faces at the noise of the shots, and the curtain goes down on an ending purely American, and naturally suggested in such a connection by the cases of Cole and Hicks, McFarland and Richardson, Stokes and Fisk, etc., with this difference, that in this play one adulterer shoots the other, and the hand of the innocent husband are left clean of blood. In Dumas' play, Adams is shot dead, and Vandyke is forgiven by his wife. Theoretically, Dumas is right, but, for this country, he is theatrically wrong.

Miss Thompson appeared upon the New York stage after many years' absence, she having made her *debut* at Wallack's Theatre during the season of 1856-7, and subsequently acted at Laura Keene's Theatre during the season of 1857-8. She was welcomed with lavish applause, which she fully deserved, as her performance of Mrs. Vandyke throughout was highly commendable. She is the fortunate possessor of a handsome, expressive face, a sweet and melodious voice, and a well formed figure, of medium height. There is about her an air of childishness which greatly enhances her personal attraction. Miss Lizzie Price, as Mrs. Hoffman, was easy and natural, notwithstanding the character was somewhat disagreeable. Mme. Ponisi looked matronly and dignified as Mrs. Vanzandt, the mother of Mrs. Vandyke, but the character gave but little scope for acting. Miss Jennie Clifford, as Mrs. Worth, was positively a little too *brusque*, yet evinced the possession of considerable dramatic ability. Miss Nellie Jones delivered the few lines allotted to her as Mrs. Don Pialt satisfactorily. Miss E. V. Proudfoot gave an excellent and pleasing performance of Mrs. De Pyester, being easy, graceful, and displaying much ability as a comedy actress. Miss Nina Varian, as Rosy, spoke in so low a tone of voice that she was almost inaudible. She is, as yet, but a neophyte in the dramatic ranks, and her faults may be easily overcome. L. R. Shewell, a favorite actor with metropolitan audiences, was warmly welcomed on his re-appearance, and quite successful in depicting the character of the deceitful husband, Mr. Vandyke. But little was required of Theodore Hamilton, as Mr. Hoffman, but that was performed to the entire satisfaction of the audience. A. D. Bradley took the lawyer, Mr. De Winter, in a quiet and gentlemanly manner. Vining Bowers, as the Swiss *valet*, Victor, made a great hit, his make-up being excellent, his dialect well nigh perfect, and, by his excellent acting, he raised the character to one of the most prominent in the play. Augustus Pitou, as Mr. Adams; F. A. Tannehill, as Mr. Worth, and L. S. Steele, as Mr. Harland, bestowed care and attention upon their respective characters. The play was well mounted, the characters were appropriately costumed, and we may add that none, save Mr. and Mrs. Vandyke and Victor, called for the exercise of any great dramatic ability. The play will necessarily be withdrawn after the present week, as W. Horace Lingard and his company are to commence a brief season on Aug. 12th, which will continue three weeks, and be followed by the production of the sensational drama entitled "The Red Pocket Book" on Sept. 2d.

HARRY WALL, the American actor and manager, returned from England on Aug. 3d. He comes as the business manager of Mr. and Mrs. Dion Boucicault.

AT THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE the season will be commenced on Tuesday evening, Aug. 20th, when "Le Roi Carrotte" will be performed for the first time in America. The following is a list of the company:—John Brougham, Roberts Craig, J. W. Jennings, Stuart Robson, James G. Peakes, George F. Ketchum, Martin Golden, Clive Hersee, who will make his American *debut;* Julian Cross, John A. Mackay, James A. Meade, Edwin Chapman, K. W. Kase, Mrs. John Wood, Miss Rose Hersee, Bella Golden, Annie Deland, Mary Stuart, Annie Yeamans, Ella Dietz, Mary Rice, Roberta Norwood, Louise Volmer, Jean Burnside, Blanche Hayden, Helen Strange, and the Majilton and Lauri families. The costumes and properties have been manufactured in Paris, France, and are *fac similes* of those used on the original production of the spectacle in that city. The scenery has been painted here by six of our most celebrated distemper painters, from models brought from Paris. During the recess many improvements have been made in the auditorium, the lobbies and passage ways having been re-carpeted with Wilton velvet, the private boxes re-upholstered and carpeted, and all those in the second circle, save the proscenium, have been removed, and their places supplied by comfortable arm chairs; a ladies' toilet-room has been fitted up off the grand vestibule; the spacious lobby converted into a picture gallery, where, from time to time, collections of the works of well-known artists will be exhibited, and extensive machinery added to the stage, both above and below it, by means of which transformations in scenery can be made which have never hitherto been witnessed in this country. Ample preparations have also been made for the transit of patrons across town at reasonable rates, to connect with all the stage and railroad lines. It is said that on Sunday evenings concerts will be given, at which selected musical artists, including all that may appear at the Academy of Music during the coming season, will perform.

THE YORKVILLE VARIETY THEATRE, corner of Eighty-sixth street and Fourth avenue, was opened last week by George Sohnicin, with Fred. Maynard as stage manager, and the following people are at present in the company:—Little Bernine, Kate Fields, Nettie Taylor, Sig. Hyrange, Geo. Willis, Jos. Thompson and Bobby Williams. Artists are advertised for.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN L. SANFORD, Felix Vincent, comedian, also G. V. Ryder, arrived during the past week.

MLLE GERALDINE, who was injured by a fall from the trapeze whilst recently performing at the Olympic Theatre, is rapidly recovering, her injuries not having proved so serious as was at first supposed. Her medical attendant, Dr. David B. Miller, certifies to us, under date of August 3d, that she "will undoubtedly be able to perform by the 19th inst."

"DOTTY GOOT" and G. W. Thompson having been re-engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction at the Bowery Theatre, engaged as the stellar attraction

Miss Nellie Alberta, child artiste, E. K. Chester, leading man in dramatic performances; H. B. Hodges, second comedian; R. C. Walstof, W. H. Bryan and Charles Fleming, Manager and proprietor, Wm. R. Sinn. The first ballet rehearsal will be held on Aug. 26th.

THE CINCINNATI VARIETY HALLS are reported as follows by our correspondent, dating Aug. 3d:—"At the Pavilion Garden, Jenny Wilmore, Mons. Ventini and Mlle. Zutella closed last week. The new appearances this week have been Eugene Romelli, the Clifton Brothers, *trapeze* performers, and Master Oscar, a boy gymnast. William Carleton and Jenny Gilmer continue to meet with favor. Carleton has given this week his specialty, 'The Wasting Thief,' and, in conjunction with Trainer, the act of 'Bad Whiskey,' in excellent style. A first part is now given, with Tommy Darton and George White on the ends. Mlle Zetlia and the Varella Brothers remain. In the gymnastic and pyramid act, which is repeated this week, there are eight performers. Probably the programme is a little too much gymnastic. Business good.....At the Olympic Theatre, the new appearances since last report have been Billy Reed, comedian and song and dance; Master Willie Healy, comedian; Hank Devon and Edward Pleiss, musicians; Rose Sherman, jig and song and dance; and Mlle Augusta, dancer and singer. Professor Lawrence, the statue performer, does a song and dance this week, and Prof. Clark, the calcium lightist, performs a solo on the concertina. Harry Leary and Sandy Dolan have closed. No other changes in the company.....The company at the Race Street Varieties remains without change, save that Fanny Florence has retired. The main feature of this week's programme has been the musical burletta of 'Oh, Hush,' with George Morton as Sam Johnson, Johnny Smith as Cuff, Jim Finley as Pete, and Mollie Somers as Rose. All of the company, embracing, besides the above, Fred. D. Harris, Chrissie Morrell, Lou Florence and Sadie Lloyd, also appear in their sparkling specialties. Business light.....At the new Sycamore Street Varieties, Mollie Barrett has closed, and Emma Morton, vocalist, and Charles La Porte, pianist, have commenced. Business reported good.....On Tuesday evening, July 30th, an affray occurred at the Olympic. Jennie Scott, who has been a clog performer, had some words with Joe Pierson, the private watchman, and emptied a chamber of a revolver at him, inflicting a flesh wound in the thigh. She is under arrest.....A party was organized here this week to tour the Kentucky fairs. May and Quinlan are managers, and John Wild business manager. The company consists of Johnny Richardson, Sage Richardson, E. F. Belden, George Barker, and Dave Bunten, leader of brass band. They opened at Harrisburg on Tuesday, 30th.....The number of performers here doing nothing is large. Several 'fair' companies will be organized this month."

SHELBY'S COMIQUE, Buffalo, N. Y., says our correspondent, under date of Aug. 3d, "has been filled every night of the past week. No new faces appeared on July 29th, but the stars of the previous week held on. The farce of 'Military Tactics,' by Courtright, Gilbert and Andrews, proved a comical affair and received hearty applause. James Clark appeared in an Irish character song and made a hit. Miss Clara Butler sang 'The Sailor Boy's Dream' with much feeling. The sketch of 'The Grip Sack,' by Clark, Kennedy and Andrews, was a laughable affair. The Foy sisters appeared in the song and dance called 'The Broadway Swell and Brooklyn Belle;' Messrs. Courtright and Gilbert in their original act of 'Sift.' The quartet of 'Come Where My Love Lies Dreaming,' by the Misses Butler and Foy and Dr. Kennedy, was sweetly rendered and received a double *encore*. Miss Lucy Adams wound up the bill in her usual series of serio-comic songs, which terminated with Mr. Frayne's operatic, romantic drama of 'Noo-Noo; or, The Duke, the Brigand, and the Executioner.' The play is replete with comical incidents, startling effects, many new gags, and was mounted in good style. Mr. Frayne and Miss Butler assumed the leading parts. They are entitled to more than a passing notice for their uniform correctness and good taste. The company rendered excellent support. Miss Lucy Adams closes to-night, and opens at Fox's, Philadelphia, on the 5th. Neal Rogers makes his *rentree* on the 5th. Mr. Harry Guion, who closed on the 27th ult., opens at Wood's Museum, Chicago, Ill., on the 19th, as leading man."

THE CHANGES at Buckley's Opera House, Saginaw City, Mich., the past week, were quite extensive, nearly the entire company, with the exception of Fred Steele, the stage manager, taking their departure, and the following new stars appear upon the boards on the 5th:—Miss Viola Clifton, change artist; Rosa Lee, cantatrice; C. H. Mathews and Belle Celeste, gymnasts; together with Johny Bucklin, M'lle Russelle, John Murtz, Belle Bryan, and Joe Mabbott. Fontainebleau goes to Cleveland, O., and Eva Buckner to Toledo. The house is doing a paying business.

THE NEW PEOPLE underlined to appear on Aug. 5th at Smith's Opera House, East Saginaw, Mich., are Charley Walters, Minnie Gray and Agnes Robinson. Maggie Lowrie is announced for the 12th, and Annie Hindle on the 19th. The old people nearly all remain. The company at present is composed of Miss Kate Barrown, Millie Henrietta, Miss Fanny Kent, M'lle Elise Scott, Fosselle, Tony Harvey, Messrs. Kenney and Moran, Miss Lou Francis, Little Josie, Eva Vincent, James E. Carton and Charles O. White. The latter is stage manager and a general favorite.

E. M. ERSKINE and Add Ringler took a benefit at Schofield's Social Garden, Wilkesbarre, Pa., on August 3d, when they were assisted by the following performers:—John Fielding, pianist; Prof. George Nachman, violin soloist; Kitty Sharp and Ella Heflin, duo singers; Mrs. Fanny Sharpe, protean actress; Shinny Keene and Harry Conrad, in their eccentricities; Fred Morton, Dutch comedian; Tammany and Madden, double song and dance, and James Mack, clog and jig dancer.

THE VARIETIES THEATRE of Pittsburgh, Pa., will commence the fall and winter campaign on the 10th inst., under the management of Gardner & Trimble, with H. W. Williams as stage manager; Joe Wilson, treasurer; Fred. George, leader of orchestra, and Wm. Doherty, master of properties. The company will include Miss Helene Smith, Dick Carroll and three midgets, Harry Brown, Hen Mason, Billy Barry, Courtwright and Gilbert, Harry W. Williams, Miss Ada Wray, Miss Celia Ilerd, Miss Lucy Clifton and Miss Fanny Fordham. Gus Williams makes his first appearance on the 12th inst. The theatre has been enlarged, new scenery and drop curtain painted, and the whole interior of the building re-painted and renovated.

ARTISTS of ability desiring engagements at Blanchett's Coliseum, Rochester, N. Y., are referred to the proprietor's card in another column.

HARRY AND FANNIE WOOD, Turner and Lester, and Dick Gorham were the fresh arrivals at the Theatre Comique, Cleveland, O., on July 29th. Turner and Lester appear in some very fine songs and dances. Dick Gorham's Dutch business is good, and he has made a decided hit. Fannie and Harry Wood, in their character changes, have won deserved admiration. The presence of B. C. Hart is nightly welcomed. Despite the hot weather, business remains good. Frank Wild, formerly of Syracuse, N.Y., is here, making preparations for the opening of his show, at Brainard's Hall, on Sept. 2d.....Billy Diamond, Ethiopian comedian, is spending his summer vacation in Cleveland, and is engaged with Frank Wild.....Cal. Mandeville, who has been playing for some time past at the Theatre Comique, emigrated on July 27th to East Saginaw, or Bay City, Mich., in company with Miss Maggie Maguire. He is inquired after by interested parties in Cleveland, who were "taken completely by surprise" at his hurried departure, our correspondent states.

JOHN PEASLY was the new face at Blanchett's Coliseum, Rochester, N. Y., on July 29th, who, together with Mark Hughes, his partner, did a song and dance which made a hit, being kept on the bills during the week. Miss Gertie Granville gave her cabinet of living pictures, together with favorite songs. Robert Ferguson repeated his character sketches. Mr. Barry Carter sang a ballad, which was one of the most pleasing features of the bill. Miss Helene Smith also deserves mention for the graceful manner in which she executes her songs and dances. The performances concluded each evening with an act called "Gyceerine," by Peasly, Hughes and Ferguson. On August 3d was acted, for the first time, the drama of "The White Boys of Ireland." Business has been excellent. On the 5th inst., Mike Foley, negro comedian, and Tom Wade, song and dance, are to appear, and Miss Agnes Sutherland is to re-appear.

THERE WERE NO NEW APPEARANCES at the Opera House, Baltimore, Md., the past week; business, however, remained good. Prof. Kreich, the recently installed leader of orchestra, discoursed very satisfactory music. Sam S. Sanford is announced to appear on the 5th.....The arrivals at the Odeon Variety Theatre on July 29th, were Matt Wheeler, negro and Teutonic comedian; Harry Richmond, Ethiopian performer; and Miss Maggie Mairs, serio-comic vocalist. The minstrel scene in the first part now presents a double ender, Frank Gayton and Harry G. Richmond handling the tambourine, and Joe Mack and Matt Wheeler the bones. The attendance has been excellent. No departures or additions are announced.

LADY VOCALISTS, *danseuses*, *ballet* ladies, Ethiopian comedians and lady gymnasts, are advertised for by the management of Smith's Opera House, East Saginaw, Mich. Mattie Bianca, and several other ladies, are also requested to write.

THE WESTON SISTERS are at Montreal, Canada, where they are highly spoken of by the local press.

S. JEROOSKI advertises for female talent.

AT WOOD'S OPERA HOUSE, Little Rock, Ark., business has been excellent, the house being filled to its full seating capacity each night, whilst the performances have been good. The new faces were Clark Gibbs, negro comedian, and Eugene F. Gorman, fluting soloist. Mr. Gorman supersedes George Marrits, who withdraws from the company, as stage manager. All the old company remain. Clark Gibbs established himself as a favorite at his first appearance, and the old favorites, Wild and Griffith, still bring down the house. Miss Fannie Duane has a fine appearance, a good wardrobe, is pretty, and receives divers *encores* nightly. Little Mary is good in her songs and dances; Tommy Capper and Miss Lizzie Buchanan are also well received.

MORTIMER'S VARIETIES, Philadelphia, will commence the regular fall and winter season on the 26th inst. Workmen are still busy on the interior of the Varieties, which is being re-painted, upholstered and decorated in a tasteful manner. Considerable alterations have been effected in order to promote the comfort of the audience, and the entire interior now presents a bright and cheerful aspect. Part of the family circle has been removed, and in its stead a commodious and tastefully fitted up restaurant, commanding an uninterrupted view of the stage, has been erected. Fred Siegel will be the *ballet* master next season. No one has yet been selected for the position of stage manager, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Harry W. Williams, who goes to Gardner & Trimble's, Pittsburgh, but most probably John R. Lane or George B. Radcliffe will be chosen.

GEORGE S. KNIGHT, the young Dutch comedian and vocalist, is at present in Philadelphia, engaged in writing new songs and sketches for his *repertoire*. He opens at Mortimer's Varieties, in that city, on the 26th of August, and from there goes to the Metropolitan, Washington, Sept. 2d, for two weeks; Opera House, Baltimore, Sept. 16th, for two weeks, and Gardner & Trimble's Pittsburgh, Oct. 7th, for four weeks.

THE COMPLIMENTARY BENEFIT to Charley Walters, at the Detroit Theatre Comique, on the 30th of July, was a grand affair, standing room being at a premium. Dan Morris, Harry Brown (London Comique), Master Moran and the Watson Brothers were the volunteers. Each and all acquitted themselves nobly. Especial mention should be made of the Watson Brothers, who were immense in their classic groupings, hat spinning, &c. Charley, the great Walters, certainly outdid his previous efforts, and leaves in the height of his popularity. The past week closed the season, with a benefit on the 3d to Manager Welch. An entire new company, except Tillie Antonio, Nicolo Norton (stage manager) and Billy Hart, open the fall season on the 19th inst. During the short vacation a new stage will be put in, footlights sunk, and several other long needed improvements will be made. Walters opens in East Saginaw the 5th. Geo. Edeson closed his successful engagement the 3d, going to Baltimore. In town, on a brief *parole*, W. B. Cavanagh, J. W. Morton, John Carle and Billy Allen.

TONY ASTON opens for two nights at the Detroit Opera House, the 5th and 6th. Our correspondent desires to compliment Mr. N. D. Roberts for the very handsome printing he has put up for Tony, being the finest stands ever seen there.

LEW ADAMS, character vocalist, is at present performing at Fox's American Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa., where all can be addressed.

PERE & REMONDE'S MUSICAL SHOW is billed for Sweet's City, Conn., Aug. 8th and 9th; Williamantic, 10th; Baltic, 12th and 13th; Putnam, 14th and 15th; Danielsonville, 16th; Webster, Mass., 17th; Southbridge, 19th; South Brookfield, 20th and 21st; East Brookfield, 22d and 24th; North Brookfield, 26th and 27th; West Brookfield, 28th, and Warren, 29th and 30th.

J. W. SANFORD'S COMIQUE PANTOMIME TROUPE, which was recently announced as the Collins Troupe through the mistake of his agent, is traveling and performing in conjunction with the company from Bishop's Opera House, St. John, N. B. They performed at Calais, Me., Aug. 1st, 2d and 3d, and show at Eastport, 5th; Carleton, 6th, and Halifax, N. S., 8th, 9th and 10th.

TONY PASTOR closed his fourth and last week at Nixon's Amphitheatre, Chicago, Ill., Aug. 3d, and we are pleased to state the attendance continued fully as large and demonstrative as during the previous week. We can truly say, for the credit of the manager, that his excellent company well deserves the patronage they have received. The bill of fare was fully up to advertisement, and as varied and pleasing as one could wish. The evening's entertainment opened with the laughable sketch "1-2-3," in which Frank Kerns, Ned Harrigan, Frank Girard, Billy Carter, Johnny Manning, Tony Hart and Kitty O'Neil appeared to popular advantage. The charming Jennie Engel, in a choice selection of popular ballads, beautifully sung, followed by Wm. Arlington, who displayed much of the musician's genius on a bell-tree and various manner, and Tony Pastor, in his well-sung, popular ballads of the day. The other favorites, Kitty O'Neil, Harrigan and Hart, and Ella Weaver, appeared in their celebrated specialties. Their route ahead is:—Detroit, Mich., 5th and 6th; Toledo, O., 7th; Cleveland, 8th, 9th and 10th; Akron 12th; Meadville, Pa., 13th; Titusville, 14th, and Buffalo, N. Y., 15th, 16th and 17th. So wrote our correspondent on Aug. 3d.

E. M. CARROLL and his boys commence an engagement, in their specialties, at Trimble's Varieties, Pittsburgh, Pa., on Aug. 10th. They have vacant dates from Nov. 4th, and can be addressed as per advertisement.

NELLIE HOWARD, jig dancer, whose address is care of this office, can be engaged after Aug. 12th.

THE WASHINGTON THEATRE, Washington, D. C., will be opened at a first class variety theatre, under the title of the Washington Theatre Comique, on Sept. 2d, by the proprietors, L. B. Walker & Co., who, it is stated, have expended $15,000 in renovating and improving the house. The season at the Baltimore Opera House, Baltimore, Md., will commence on the same date, with the following:—attractions:—The Lisa Weber burlesque troupe; Mlle. Gillette *ballet* troupe, Sig. Cardella, *ballet* master; Sam. S. Sanford, Dick Parker, Otis Burbank and Mackin & Wilson, Ethiopian comedians; G. S. Knight, Dutch comedian; Matthews & Celeste, gymnasts; and a stock dramatic company; and Messrs. Kernan Bros. & Co., state that they have made arrangements to play performers at both the above houses, and to exchange with New York, Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. The Baltimore house has been re-upholstered and refitted, and it will be conducted as a first class vaudeville theatre. For further particulars see the advertisement.

AT THE WALNUT STREET THEATRE, Philadelphia, Pa., during the past week, business has been good, considering the unusual heat. On July 29th Mlle. Irma, *danseuse*, appeared and met with a good reception. Lulu Matsee, having closed an engagement at the Metropolitan, St. Joe, re-appeared in her Parlor Statuary, and being an old favorite her favorable greeting was insured. Oscar Willis, in his negro acts, and Jim Rayner, with his banjo and original songs, continue, while J. W. Berkely, comedian, Harry Hart, song and dance man, and Billy Banks, in his negro opera business, make it as lively as ever. The beautiful songstress, Maud De Lisle, is the principal attraction in her line here, and with Nellie Edwards, and Maggie Nichols, in her sack wire act, a very excellent olio is presented. Miss Maggie also does a Chinese dance that is worthy of especial mention. The cork opera, "Virginia Cupids," is given as an afterpiece, Oscar Willis and Miss Emmazetta taking the principal parts. The only departures have been Kitty Whitland, Maggie Louise and Maud Lewis, who were discharged by Manager Willis for neglect of duty, as I am informed. Ella La Rue is announced for Aug. 5th. Williams & Perkins opened the Theatre Comique July 15th with excellent business. The following people are engaged there:—Julia Nelson, *danseuse*; Mattie Lincoln, vocalist; Maggie Louise, Kitty Whitland, Maud Lewis, Irene Delmar, Dora Antonio, Jim Hays, Dave Williams and Fred T. Shaw. Dave Williams is stage manager. Gen. Grant, Jr., who does a straight jig on roller skates, opened July 29th.....Wm. Carroll's branch of the Walnut at Wichita, Kansas, is doing an immense business at a dollar a head. No changes reported there. So wrote our correspondent on Aug. 1st.

MANCHESTER AND JENNINGS, Ethiopian comedians; Julia Robinson, *danseuse*, and Lena Clark, vocalist, were the new attractions at Fielding's Opera House, Toledo, O., during the past week. John and Maggie Fielding, with Jno. Wilson, comedian, remained, and served to enliven an excellent programme. Bobby Manchester received a cordial welcome on his re-appearance, and with his new associate, Jennings, gave several very creditable performances. Miss Robinson is possessed of a pleasing face, and a figure moulded on a graceful, though rather large model. Her dancing was well received. Miss Clark delivered several songs in a lively manner and with a fair voice, receiving a moderate share of applause. Miss Fielding sang in her usual spirited style, and, as usual, was several times *encored*. Manchester and Jennings take their departure on the 3d inst. Our old veteran banjoist, is to appear on the 5th. William E. Harland, roller skater and juggler, is stopping in the city a few days, as we learn from our correspondent under date of August 2d.

Negro Minstrelsy.

AN OLD TIMER.—Our minstrel friends are scattered all over the world, and once in a while we hear about some old timer whose deeds were once supposed to have been handed in long ago, but who "still lives." Among these latter may be mentioned Edwin Deaves. Mr. Deaves was born in the city of Philadelphia in the year 1817, and was one of the originators of the celebrated band of minstrels favorably known as the "Virginia Serenaders," organized, we believe, in the year 1844, and up to the date of 1848 was playing alternately at the Chinese Museum, Temperance Hall (Northern Liberties), Arch and Chestnut Street Theatres, Philadelphia. At the latter house every Philadelphia fireman then and at the present time living will remember their most successful benefits given by this company to almost every organization of the department. After closing at the Chestnut, the troupe, at the solicitation of many prominent citizens of Boston, concluded to give a series of entertainments at the Howard Athenæum, succeeding Max. Maretzek's Opera Troupe, during which engagement the memorable act of the "Black Shakers" was, for the first time, produced, for the occasion of Mr. Deaves' benefit, in May, 1849, Mr. D. claiming the originality of the act, it having been arranged by him at the Chinese Museum, Philadelphia, previous to the visit to Boston. It was at this time, or shortly after, that Mr. D. made the acquaintance in New York of his esteemed friend, Charles White, at whose neat little establishment in the Bowery he performed nearly two years, and subsequently with Wells and Birch in the western states. Mr. Deaves is now residing in San Francisco, Cal., to which city he "emigrated" in the fall of '55, in company with the late lamented member of the minstrel profession, S. A. Wells; also, Billy Birch, Max. Zorer and Chas. Henry, under the supervision of E. M. Hooley, Esq., acting manager for Thos. Maguire, Esq. The Virginia Serenaders were composed of the following members:—Cool White, J. R. Myers, (Dick Myers), Tony Winnemore, Evan Horn, James Sanford, Edwin Deaves, Frank Solomons and Robert Edwards. Letters addressed to Mr. D. at Metropolitan Theatre, San Francisco, Cal., will reach him.

NEW COOK'S MINSTRELS opened at Pike's Theatre, Cincinnati, O., on the 29th ult., concerning which our correspondent reports:—"Their business so far has been splendid, the houses being jammed each night. As the weather is very warm, this may fairly be attributed to the gift distribution which accompanies each entertainment, $300 being given away every night in sums varying from $10 to $100, there being twelve prizes in all, together with $200 for Saturday's business. At the performance on Saturday night the week's receipts will probably more than treble this amount, it may be seen that the gift distribution is no losing business. The company in the main is the same one which played here some weeks since, with Manning, but has received several additions. Luke Schoolcraft, a clever comedian; R. T. Tyrrell, tenor balladist, and W. Henry Rice, burlesque *prima donna*, joined the company here. W. H. Kelley, formerly of Wood's, returned after an absence of several weeks. The first part brought out ballads from Harry Percy, Gustave Brideaux, R. T. Tyrrell and J. J. Kelly, a very excellent vocal *corps*; and comicalities from Schoolcraft and E. M. Hall. In the olio, Andy McKee and Stevie Rogers appeared in a new song and dance, 'Lucinda,' the music of which is very bad, but which their splendid grotesque dancing makes very successful; E. Hay gives his banjo solos, his instrumentation being good; Rice appears in his songs, and then, after a farce by Schoolcraft, Hall and McKee, the distribution comes. There is no doubt that the latter is made in perfect good faith. McKee and Rogers were to sever connection with the company at the close of this week, but will probably be re-engaged. The stay of the troupe here will be regulated, according to the business done, from two to four weeks."

PERFORMERS OF ABILITY are wanted for the Eleventh Street Opera House, Philadelphia, Pa., which will be opened by Moran and Dixey's Minstrels on August 26th. See advertisement.

THE GEORGIA MINSTRELS are announced to perform at Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th.

HARRY ROBINSON'S MINSTRELS propose to visit all the principal cities in the United States during the coming season. The company, which has been organized by "the man with the silver horns," consists of the following artists:—Billy McAllister, Dick Gorman, Frank Carlton, Milt Barlow, John Renahan, Chas. H. Clark, Teal Seymour, David Schiff, W. Sheridan, John Crawford, J. C. Wallace, H. F. Linder, James Dalton, Alonzo De Forrest. John H. Polley, G. W. Morgan, Chas. Dearborn, John Rickaby, general agent, and J. C. Wallace, advertiser.

UNSWORTH, EUGENE and G. W. H. Griffin are engaged for the coming season at the Howard Athenæum, Boston, Mass.

EMERSON'S CALIFORNIA MINSTRELS opened for four nights and one *matinee* at the Fifth Avenue Opera House, Pittsburgh, Pa., on July 31st., to large audiences. The combination is good, and entertainments first class. There are twenty-four performers, seventeen of whom appear in the first part, with Emerson and Cotton on the ends, and J. L. Kemble as interlocutor. Chas. Fredericks, Monroe Thompson, Sam. Johnson, joined the troupe at Pittsburgh. Emerson and Cotton's songs, in the first part, were thrice re-demanded, and the instrumentation and vocalization were received with approval, especially the banjo localisms of Harry Stanwood, the negro eccentricities of Fayette Welch, Welch's playing of a tin whistle, Emerson's songs and dances, Sheridan and Mack's lightning changes, and the saxophone solo by Ed. Lefevre. The entertainment concluded with the operatic sketch of "Ill-Trou-Bad-Doer," in which C. Heywood acquitted himself handsomely as Lean-ore-a. This gentleman has a soprano voice of peculiar power and sweetness. Their future stands will be:—Philadelphia on the 5th, one week; then Washington, three nights; Baltimore, three nights; Brooklyn Park Theatre, one week; Boston (Globe Theatre), one week; and then New York. Fayette Welch's engagement with the troupe expires this month.

DUPREE AND BENEDICT'S MINSTRELS commenced an engagement of one week at the Arch Street Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa., on the 29th ult., and attracted large audiences every evening. A change of programme was made nightly and a detailed list of the various morceaux which Frank Dumont, Thos. Bernardo, G. B. Harcourt and Ernest Linden sang, and the comicalities of Lew Benedict, George H. Edwards, Fox and Ward, would occupy more space than we can spare, and it must suffice to say that the manner in which the acts of the various programmes were rendered was in every way highly creditable to all concerned, and a pleasing surprise to the audience. The successful engagement of Dupree and Benedict's Minstrels at this theatre terminated on the 3d inst. They announced to appear at the Holliday Street Theatre, Baltimore, Md., for the week beginning August 12th.

CAL WAGNER'S MINSTRELS, who performed at Fort Wayne, Ind., Aug. 1st; and Indianapolis, 2d; will be at Lafayette, 5th; Decatur, 6th; Springfield 7th, and Logansport, 8th.

GARDNER AND BARLOW'S MINSTRELS are giving occasional performances at Atlantic City, N. J.

THE GEORGIA MINSTRELS performed at Albany, N. Y., Aug 1st, to a large attendance. They are billed at Rochester for the 12th and 13th.

JAMESTOWN, Tommy, the smallest comedian on the minstrel stage, advertises that he can be engaged after Aug. 12th.

AT THE ALHAMBRA THEATRE, San Francisco, Cal., during the week ending July 27th, the attendance was gratifyingly large, and an entirely new bill was presented, as follows:—"Mollie Darling," by J. Murphy; Hannah Maria," by Charles Sutton; "Queen of the Night," by Almeday Scott; "Don't Grieve After Me," by Billy Sweetnam; "Picayune," by J. G. Russell, and "Horn of Plenty," by Welch and Rice. In the second part the features were the oddities of Cool Burgess; a sketch, "In a Regular Fix," characters by Simmons, Slocum and Justin Robinson; song and dance, by Charles Sutton; "Wanted, a Nurse," by Sweetnam, Slocum, Murphy and Kemp; "Holiday Trips," very well done by Sam Hickey and J. Rice, and "The Coopers," by Ad. Ryman, Charles Sutton, Justin Robinson and Murphy. Next week will be the last of the Simmons and Slocum party. On the 29th, Delehanty and Hengler make their appearance, reports our correspondent, under date of July 27th.

BRENNAN'S MINSTRELS gave two performances at the Academy of Music, Cleveland, Ohio, July 29th and 30th. The first part consisted of "Jessan's Sunday Out," a ludicrous sketch, followed by the ballad of "The Grey Hairs of My Mother," by E. M. Kayne, who sang like a lark; Fayette Welch sang "Cackle, Cackle," and was repeatedly *encored*. The descriptive *finale*, "National Airs," was rendered with all the energy and spirit possible, and closed the first part amid deafening applause. The olio was opened by Harry Leaswood and his banjo, who responded to a storm of funny songs, and his quaint remarks were received with shouts of laughter. Billy Emerson appeared in his specialty of songs and dances, and fully sustained his excellent reputation. The character artists, Sheridan and Mack, rendered "I'm Seventy-five," "Playing Hookey," and "Little Frands" in a praiseworthy manner. The performance concluded with Heywood's comic operetta, "Wachtel," with Billy Emerson as Wachtel and Chas. Heywood as Alisson and Parepa. The latter has a very fine voice, and knows how to use it; he also dresses well, and his actions are easy and natural. The duet of Emerson and Heywood was well received.....Billy Allen's Minstrels opened for three night, in Massillon, O., on July 30th. They are billed for Niles, O., for August 3d. So wrote our correspondent on August 2d.

THE DEATH OF BOB EDWARDS, a minstrel performer, was announced in our last issue, and we now publish the following sketch of his career furnished by Mr. Sam. S. Sanford, who knew him from boyhood. His right name, it appears, was Robert O. Dean, but as master Edwards he was known as one of the earliest bone end boys, and as a jig dancer traveled through the interior of Pennsylvania in 1841 and '42. When minstrelsy started he was secured by Dick Myers, Cool. White and Jim Sanford, with whom he organized the troupe known as the Serenaders, and appeared at the Howard Athenæum, Boston, Mass., and later, returning to Philadelphia, he joined Sam Sanford's troupe, with which he was a feature for a long time, making that city his home. It was less than seven years ago since Edwards disbanded a company of his own at Buffalo, where he continued to reside until his death, which is supposed to have resulted from grief for his wife, who died within the past year. This leaves the show with Bob Shaddock, a well known violinist. We believe he was the last of his family, being childless, and his father and mother having died when he was quite young, and a younger brother being also dead. His age was about forty-three, therefore the date of his birth must have been later than before stated.

MOONEY'S OPERA HOUSE, Chicago, Ill., is progressing rapidly, and is expected to be ready for opening on the anniversary of the fire with a first class minstrel company.

HOOLEY'S MINSTRELS are in their second week at the Globe Theatre, Chicago, Ill., and are doing a good business, as well as giving a highly satisfactory entertainment. The programme is, in several respects, an improvement over that of the previous week, and the encore compliments seem to be getting forth extra efforts to please, particularly in the first part. The ballads by J. H. Cook, F. B. Naylor and D. S. Vernon, are rendered in a style of excellence. Cool White's efforts, as interlocutor, stamp him as one of the best in the business, while his acting of various characters in the olio is particularly good. Billy Rice and Archy Hughes are in the best possible trim, their gags being fresh and to the point, while their songs and dances are given with the utmost vim. They have danced their way into popular favor, their double song and dance, "I Love You," being executed in fine style. The performance concludes with a burlesque on the "Black Crook," which is finely mounted. John Mulligan, Billy Rice, Archy Hughes and Cool White are introduced in the leading characters, and it is sufficient to say that they appear to immense advantage, keeping the audience in a roar of laughter. So wrote our correspondent on Aug. 2d.

Circuses.

WHEN G. F. BAILEY & CO'S CIRCUS exhibited at Peekskill, N. Y., on July 19th, after the close of the day performance, the entire company, band, and *attaches* of the circus, visited the cemetery where the remains of Pierre Rowland, formerly a member of that company, who died in May last, were interred, and after some appropriate remarks by George M. Clark, the clown, the ladies decorated the grave with flowers, and the band performed a dirge which had been composed for the occasion by their leader, Mr. Withers.

P. T. BARNUM'S SHOW is billed ahead as follows:—St. Louis, Mo., one week, commencing Aug. 5th; Jefferson City, 12th; Sedalia, 13th; Kansas City, 14th; Topeka, Kansas, 15th; Lawrence, 16th; Leavenworth, 17th; Atchison, Mo., 19th; St. Joseph, 20th; Chillicothe, 21st; Macon, 22d; Hannibal, 23d; Quincy, Ill., 24th; Burlington, Iowa, 26th; Galesburg, Ill., 27th; Peoria, 28th; Bloomington, 29th; Decatur, 30th; Springfield, 31st; Jacksonville, Sept. 2d; Mount Sterling, 3d; Keokuk, Iowa, 4th; Ottumwa, 5th; Oskaloosa, 6th; Des Moines, 7th; Iowa City, 9th; Davenport, 10th; Clinton, 11th; Freeport, Ill., 12th; Dubuque, Iowa, 13th; Waterloo, 14th; Owatonna, 16th; Minneapolis, Minn., 17th; St. Paul, 18th; Red Wing, 19th; Winona, 20th; La Crosse, 21st, and Madison, 23d.

ADAM FOREPAUGH'S AGGREGATION is meeting with success in the state of Wisconsin, where, according to old showmen, it is doing the largest business ever known in that state. This show travels through the states of Iowa and Illinois during August, using two complete *corps* of bill posters, and advertising thirty days ahead, both states being thoroughly programmed already.

DOCTOR BACKENSTOSE'S COSMOPOLITAN CIRCUS, MUSEUM AND MENAGERIE are to exhibit at Albany, Wisconsin, on August 10th. This show is now traveling by steamer, and will remain until November, when it meets its boats at Keokuk, Iowa, intending to go south again in the winter. This circus is leaving an excellent reputation wherever it exhibits, and is doing a good business.

ADAM FOREPAUGH has been east during the past week, negotiating for one of the finest theatres in the country, for the purpose of opening a permanent zoological institute. Mr. Forepaugh will be in Philadelphia to-day (Aug. 3d), and if the offer is accepted he will open, during the coming winter, one of the handsomest places of amusement and instruction in the world.

KLECKNER & CO.'S CIRCUS, MUSEUM AND MENAGERIE are billed ahead as follows:—East Brady, Pa., Aug. 5th; Fairview, 6th; Butler, 7th; Kittanning, 8th; Elderton, 9th, and Indiana, 10th. Business reported as excellent during the past two weeks.

SPALDING CIRCUS AND MITCHELL'S JAPANESE TROUPE have chartered the steamer Chicago Belle, and are exhibiting at the towns along the eastern shore of Lake Michigan.

AFFRAY BETWEEN CIRCUS EMPLOYEES AND A CONSTABLE.—The Great Eastern Circus exhibited at Belleville, Ill., on July 27th, and during the afternoon performance a young man claimed that he had given the ticket seller a five dollar bill and asked for two tickets, which were given him without any change being returned. The young man, finding that he could get no satisfaction from the ticket seller, proceeded to the office of a justice of the peace, and procured a writ of attachment, which was placed in the hands of officer Seifert to serve. At the conclusion of the evening performance, Mr Seifert proceeded to the circus ground with the intention of levying upon one of the horses, and he met a man mounted upon a horse and leading another. In answer to Mr. Seifert's inquiry if the horses belonged to the circus, he received an affirmative reply; he then told the rider that he had an attachment and would be compelled to take one of the horses. The rider requested the officer to accompany him back to the circus lot, stating that possibly one of the managers might be found there and the matter settled. The officer followed the man, who led him into the centre of a crowd of circus employees who were engaged in taking down the tent. The man announced that here was an officer who had come to take some of their horses. Scarcely were the words uttered when the crowd, it is charged, fell upon the officer and began beating him terribly, knocking him from one side of the ring to the other only to be knocked back by another party on the opposite side. The officer succeeded in drawing a revolver, but, ere he could fire it, it was knocked from his hands. During the encounter one of the men picked up a wooden stake with an iron head, and with it struck Seifert a blow on the back of his head, crushing in the skull. The officer was taken home in an unconscious condition, and died on the morning of July 29th. No arrests have yet beeen made, though every exertion is being made to ferret out and bring to justice the guilty party.

MISS IDA DINGESS, the beautiful and accomplished daughter of Mr. E. S. Dingess, director of Adam Forepaugh's Aggregation, was married in Chicago, Ill., on July 24th, to Mr. E. S. Ireland, a wealthy and influential merchant of that city. Our best wishes for their happiness and prosperity go with the young couple.

THE MEMBERS of the Equestrian Benevolent Association are referred to James Melville's card in another column, and parties desiring to join that institution can obtain all information by calling on him.

LENT'S NEW YORK CIRCUS performed at Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 2d and 3d, and shows at Chillicothe, 5th; Macon City, 6th; Hannibal, 7th; Quincy, Ill., 8th; Keokuk, Iowa, 9th; Burlington, 10th; Moamouth, Ill., 12th; Galesburg, 13th; Galva, 14th; Princeton, 15th; Mendota, 16th, and Aurora, 17th.

C. W. NOYES' Crescent City Circus performed at Buffalo, N. Y., on July 31st and 3d, to big business.

JAMES ROBINSON'S CIRCUS is to exhibit at Buffalo, N. Y., Aug 15th and 16th.

O. P. SWEET has settled down at Rochester, N. H., where he is successfully engaged in teaching music. He has upwards of a hundred pupils in that city, and is about starting a class in the adjoining town of Farmington. Sweet was formerly known as Sam Lyon, and was a former town on July 25th, which drew a large audience.

"TOO THIN," a comic song by Oscar Gerard, of Cincinnati, is one of the author's latest issues.

OLD JOHN ROBINSON'S MENAGERIE AND CIRCUS pitched their canvas at Albany, N. Y., on Aug. 2d. They gave two performances (afternoon and evening) and succeeded in drawing fair houses and turning away a large crowd. It has been there this season. It is estimated that there was 15,000 people in attendance. George Kelly, the champion leaper, eclipsed all his previous efforts in the leaping line. In the afternoon he cleared twenty-one horses, and in the evening twenty-two. He says the run there is the best in the country. The route ahead of this establishment is:—Troy, 5th; Schenectady, 6th; Little Falls, 6th; Utica, 7th; Syracuse, 8th; Geneva, 9th; Canandaigua, 10th; Auburn, 12th.

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G. W. HUGHES, of the Central Park Circus and Menagerie, has heavily billed Pittsburgh and Allegheny City, Pa., and the concern will show at the latter place on the 5th inst., and at Pittsburgh on the 6th and 7th. The route ahead is:—East Liberty, 8th; McKeesport, 9th; Monongahela City, 10th; Washington, 12th; Jacksonville, 13th; Waynesburg, 14th; Jefferson, 15th, and Brownsville, 16th.

SMITH AND BAIRD'S EXCELSIOR CIRCUS exhibited at Wenston, Iowa, July 30th, and thence went south.

ROBINSON, SPRINGER & HENDERSON'S CIRCUS AND MENAGERIE show at Sharon, Pa., August 12th.

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COLE'S CIRCUS, MUSEUM AND MENAGERIE were exhibited at Williamsport, Pa., Aug. 1st, to a fair attendance in the afternoon, but the rain in the evening interfered with the patronage. An alligator escaped from one of the side shows, but was recaptured the next day, being found in the canal. The company went to Jersey Shore, Lock Haven, and thence west.

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